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Canton 3.30 p.m.
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THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

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General Managers,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—
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UNITY'S FATHER ON HER VIEWS

"I CANNOT tell you if my daughter Unity has changed her views about Germany," said Lord Redesdale to a reporter.

"It is my view that every family in the land is divided in its opinions, and mine, I suppose, is no exception.

"My only mistake, like thousands of others, was in supposing that friendly relations with Germany would bring peace. I was wrong. It has become abundantly clear that my idea was impossible.

"Now the King's enemies are my enemies, and I am deeply hurt that there should be any section of the public who could think otherwise." Earlier Lord Redesdale had issued a statement protesting against the "undercurrent of suspicion and resentment" created by recent publicity of his daughter.

"Highly Improper"

Referring to the Government's decision not to allow Miss Milford to convalesce at Inch Kenneth, Argyllshire, which is inside the new protected area of Scotland, Lord Redesdale said:

"It is a decision arrived at by those responsible for the safety of our country after due consideration, and it would be highly improper for me to question it.

"One other matter which I find very wounding is that I am constantly described as a Fascist. I am not, never have been, and am not likely to become a Fascist."

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H. K. T. 12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Variety with Tony Martin, Kitty Masters and The Hill Billies.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Ambrose and His Orchestra in Dance Music.

1.20 Reginald Dixon's Organ "Hills."

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Beethoven—Concerto in B Flat Major—Pau Casals (Cello) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Rossini—Overture "Semi-ramide"—Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

6.14 Songs by Oscar Natoko (Bass).

—The Song of Hydras The Cretan, with Orchestra, Hear Me Ye Winds and Waves, with Organ accompaniment.

The Village Blacksmith, with Orchestra.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Schubert—Sonata in A Minor for Cello and Piano, Emanuel Feuermann (Cello) and Gerald Moore (Piano); Schubert Waltzes, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

7 Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

—Serenade The Maidens of Cadiz, Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; An Evening With Liszt, Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Tales From The Vienna Woods, Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; Faust—Selection, Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 An English Programme—Tom Jones—Selection, Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Capt. George Miller; One Kind Word, I Still Love Mary, The Hon. W. Brownlow (Etonian) with Orchestra; London Bridge March, New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; The Children's Home, Catherine Stewart (Contralto) with Berkeley Mason at the Organ; Two Symphonies—Rhapsodies—1. 1. Pitch My Lonely Charvan, 2. Bird Songs at Evening I Heard You Sing.

8.15 New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; Music of the Night, John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accompaniment; The Rose, The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream.

8.45 Staff—"Some Great Authors"—S. Macaulay—The fifth of a series of talks by Father Ryan, S.J.

9.05 Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone)—The Devout Lover, with Piano accompaniment; The Shade of the Palm, Star of My Soul, with Orchestra accompaniment.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

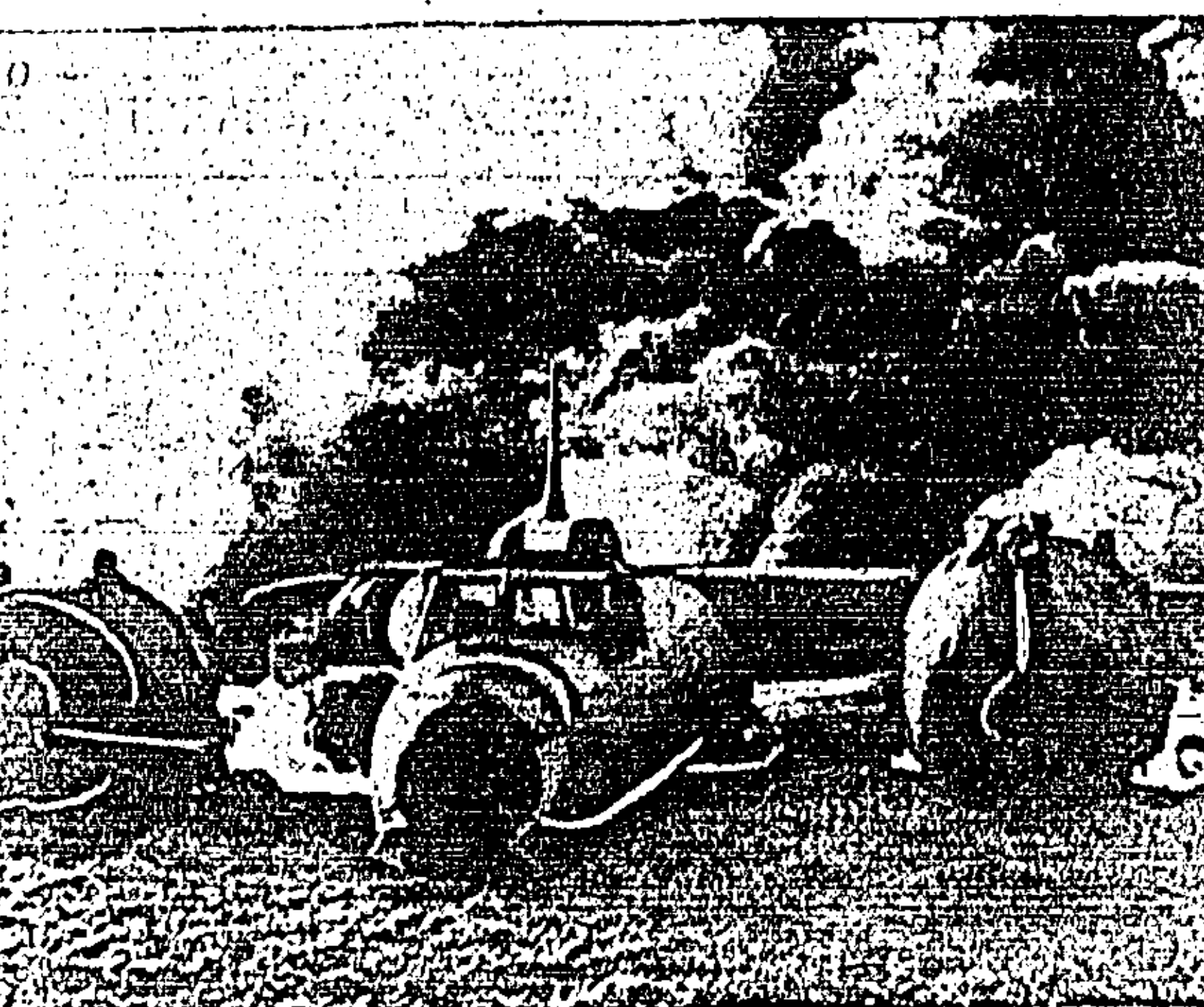
9.30 Talk on "The Voice of the Nazi" recorded by Professor W. A. Sinclair.

9.45 Reginald Foort at the Organ.

10.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

THIS NAZI PLANE DID NOT ESCAPE



As is customary with Nazi airmen, lest some secret of their planes be gained by the French and British, pilots of this German bomber set it afire when they were forced down behind the French lines recently. However, the wreckage showed that it was a Dornier 17.

R. A. F. CANNOT BOMB BERLIN, SAYS GOEBBELS

GOEBBELS has found a new hero and a new boast for the people of Germany.

The BOAST is: "The British cannot bomb you. Our cities are invulnerable from the air." The HERO is the Flak (anti-aircraft) gunner.

The German girl to-day would rather walk out with a Flak gunner than any other man in uniform, because she is told: "He is the man who will protect you from British bombers."

Germany's Flak gunners have not yet done anything to earn their new popularity which is entirely due to the Goebbels campaign. A defence is worked in zones—in the outer ring searchlights and sound locators, next guns, then areas where only fighters operate.

Germans are being taught that "Planflak" is the secret that will defeat our bombers. That word means an anti-aircraft barrage intended to lock attacking bombers inside an area where they will either be shot down by fighters or blown to pieces by high-explosive shells if they try to escape.

On good authority I can give the true position of the probabilities of future air attacks. They apply as well to Britain as Germany.

False Security

British citizens should not be lulled, like the Germans, into a false sense of security, to be shocked into realisation of the truth only by bombs.

No city is invulnerable from bombers. The only ultimate defence against enemy bombing is the deterrent of heavier bombing reprisals on enemy cities.

Fighters, balloon barrages, and anti-aircraft units mean that target-bombing is made more difficult, sometimes impossible with accuracy. But, however good defences may be "plastering"—the haphazard spraying of cities with bombs from a great height—cannot be completely stopped. At night it may be carried out with only a very small percentage of losses to the bombers.

If people use air raids as thrilling spectacles, casualties from high explosive shell splinters as well as bombs may be terrific. But if Germany cares to start the bombing war, we have the class and numbers of bombers to go to Germany and persuade the Nazis very quickly of their error.

That is our "ultimate defence."

LETTERS

Bazaar's Success

To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—I shall be very grateful if you will allow me to express, through your Correspondence Column, my hearty thanks to all those who have contributed to make our Bazaar a success on last Saturday. It was raining quite heavily on that day, but a great number of people came. It was really very kind of them to do so.

The result of the Bazaar is beyond our expectation. We have achieved our object and got over \$2,000. In these hard times, when the war has broken out in the East and in the West, such a result must be considered very satisfactory. Unquestionably this is wholly due to the help and generosity of our friends and well-wishers, whom we are thanking now.

TSANG KAI-NGOK.

MYSTERY OF NAZI BOOKS FOR SALE IN LONDON

SPECIAL TO "REYNOLDS"

SOME of Goering's books are to be sold in London. They are included in a three-day auction of valuable books at Sotheby's.

How these volumes, once the personal property of the Nazi leader, with marginal notes in his handwriting, found their way to the London market is a mystery.

Some of the books offered in the sale are from the collections of well-known owners whose names are published in the catalogue, others are described as "the property of a gentleman," but Goering's books are included in a section headed "other properties."

It is not surprising that the Field-Marshal, who, like many other Nazi leaders, has enriched himself by plundering his Jewish victims, should have taken a great interest in one of the books. Secrets of Jews

The volume, entitled "The Secrets of the Elders of Zion," contains many annotations in Goering's handwriting and bears his signature on the cover.

It was evidently a prized possession, as was another book, "Bolshevism from Moses to Lenin; a Discussion between Adolf Hitler and Myself."

This has also been signed by Goering and contains many notes. Nobody knows as yet what these are and it might be a good idea for the Ministry of Information to buy the books to find out.

Inquiries at Sotheby's failed to solve the puzzle of how the books found their way to a West End sale-room.

"We are unable to state who is the present owner of the books," said an official of Sotheby's.

"Their value to the average Englishman may be negligible, but a foreign collector may regard them as of considerable interest and worth."

440,000 Died In Spanish Civil War

FRANCO SETS HIS LOSSES AT 140,000

PARIS.

NEARLY half a million men were killed on the battlefields of the Spanish Civil War. One hundred and forty thousand are officially listed as Nationalists by the Nationalist General Millan Astor, president of the War Disabled Association.

The rest are Republicans and the figure, though not official, has been worked out at 300,000 in other quarters.

The Nationalist communique, signed by General Astor, gives the Nationalist killed in action as 70,000 and those wounded as 353,000. Hospitals cared for 750,000 sick, of whom 70,000 died.

It is estimated that there is one dead for every seven wounded and one permanently disabled for every six wounded.

The figures given indicate that the forces fighting on the Nationalist side numbered about one and a half million men. The losses suffered by the Moorish legions are put at 7,074 dead, 28,072 wounded and 770 missing.

The First Attackers

The Moorish losses are estimated to be equal to 18 regiments, which, with the Navarrese-Charlists, constituted the first assault forces against the Republicans at the outbreak of the war.

These figures do not include those shot behind the lines in various Spanish cities. Both sides executed more than a hundred thousand men.

The Republicans lost 200,000 killed and the rest by death from wounds. I am inclined to place the Nationalist dead at rather higher than General Astor's figure of 70,000. My estimate is 100,000.

THESE PRINCESSES ENJOY SKATING



Having fun with the new skates they have just received are Princesses Margaretha, left, and Birgitta, right, of Sweden. They are shown with their father, Prince Gustaf Adolf, the eldest son of the Swedish Crown Prince. At left is nurse. The jolly scene was taken in front of Drottningholm Castle near Stockholm.

Officer, Due Back from Leave—

Shot By Wife As He Slept

UNABLE to bear the thought of being parted from her soldier husband, a wife shot him while he slept—and then took her own life.

The couple were Captain Thomas Rogers and Mrs. Jacintha Rogers, of Brookvale Cottage, Shaldon, Devon.

They were found dead in their bedroom, on the day when Captain Rogers was due to return from leave. The theory of the way they died was put forward by the coroner at the inquest recently.

His reconstruction of the scene, he said, was "not out of charity, or a desire to mollify people's feelings, but as a matter of right and justice."

He handed to the jury a letter written by the wife to the husband, beginning, "My very own beloved." It was too sacred, he said, to be read to satisfy morbid curiosity. Mr. George Vesper, a friend of the couple, said he entered the house by a secret door, and found Mrs. Rogers

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MAGAZINE PAGE

Test your TASTE

HERE are three simple tests planned to pass a few minutes in measuring your good taste.

Begin with these menus below. One of them is nearly perfect, the other has several carefully chosen items. Which of the two do you think shows the better appreciation of food—and WHY?

MENU

Grape Fruit

Fresh Pea Soup

Pillet of Sole Bonnet Femme

Roast Aylesbury Duckling
Fresh Peas
Mashed Potatoes

Water Ice with Slices of Fresh Orange

MENU

Grape Fruit

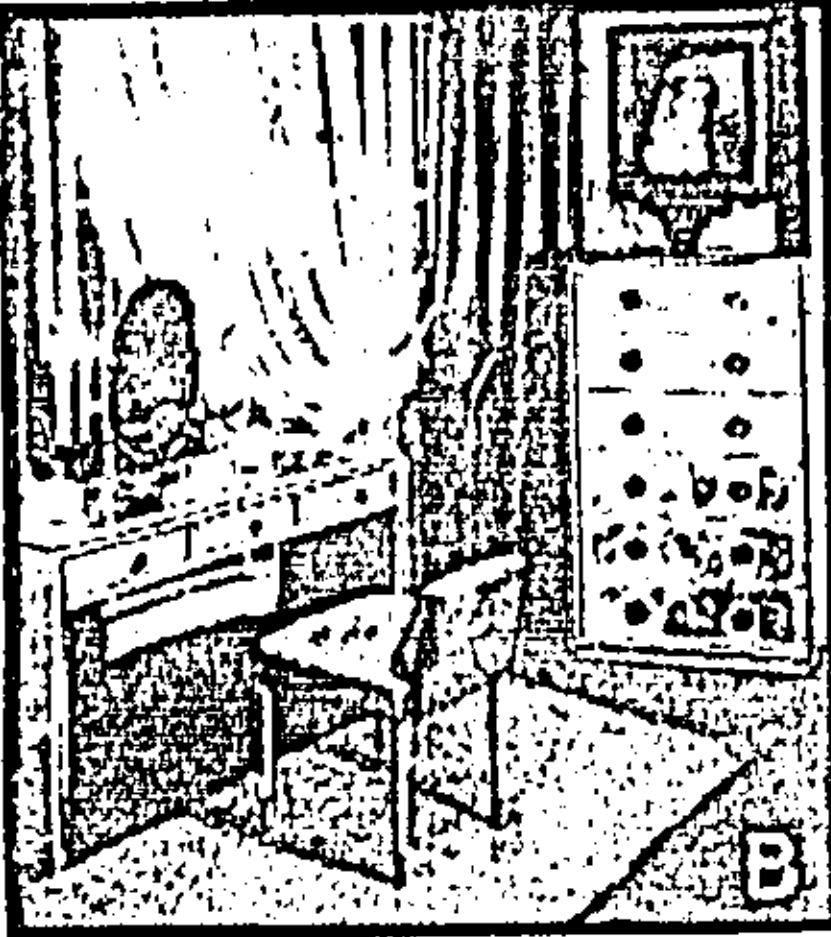
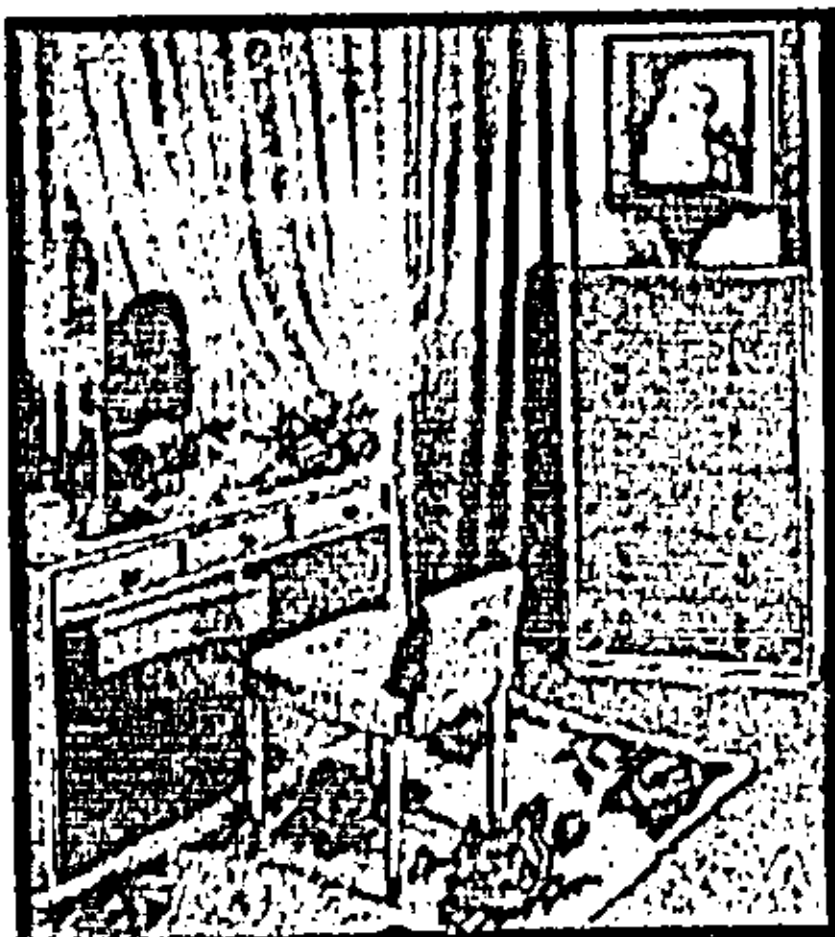
Consomme

Pillet of Sole Bonnet Femme

Roast Aylesbury Duckling
Fresh Peas
New Potatoes

Peach Melba

Now these rooms: One is in good taste, the other has errors in furnishing. Which do you think is the better of the two—and WHY?



Two concerts next: Which one would you choose? One of them has been selected with the greater discrimination. Which one is it—and WHY?

CONCERT A.

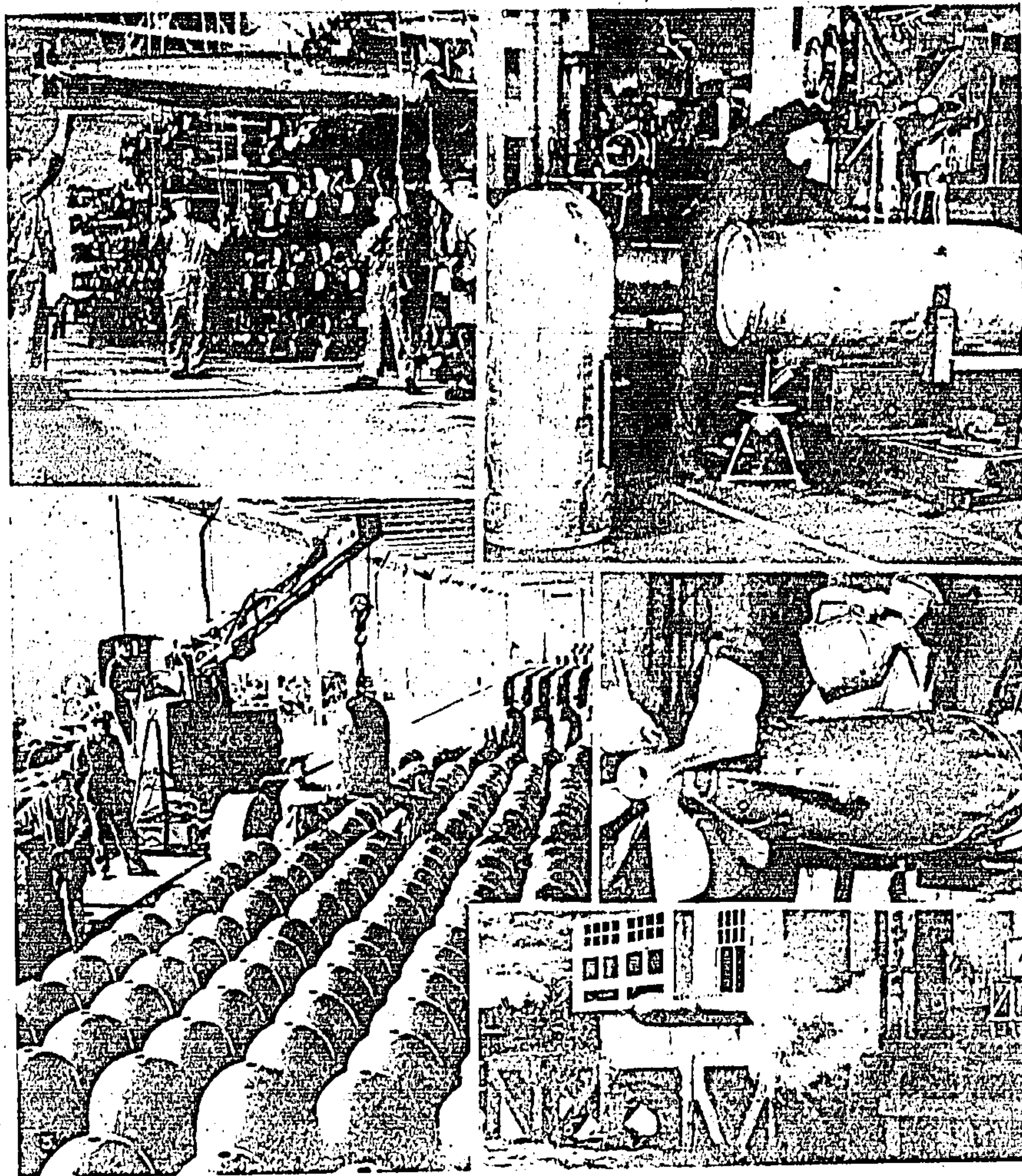
1. Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1
Liszt
2. Two Songs—
Ave Maria Schubert
Serenade Schubert
3. Intermezzo Mendelssohn
Night's Dream Mendelssohn
4. Overture, Marriage of Figaro
Mozart
5. Song, Serenade Strauss

CONCERT B.

1. Overture, Marriage of Figaro
Mozart
2. Two Songs—
Serenade Schubert
Ah, fors' e lui Verdi
3. Ballet Music from La Boutique
Fantasque Rossini
- INTERVAL
4. Symphony: Pathétique
Tchaikowsky

If you're not sure, look at the foot of columns four and five.

PICTURE ARTICLE



MARVELS OF THE MODERN TORPEDO

THE first torpedo consisted of an explosive charge on the end of a long pole.

This pole was carried by a launch so that it stuck out over the bows like a long bow-sprit, and a torpedo attack consisted of creeping up to the enemy ship, thrusting the charge on the end of the pole against her side, and firing it.

That method was only used once in action, and then the attacking launch was also destroyed, which was hardly surprising.

It is a far cry from that primitive weapon to the modern self-propelled torpedo, capable of rushing at its target at nearly fifty miles an hour, and travelling for many miles on an accurate course and at a set depth below the surface of the sea.

Yet the self-propelled torpedo is a weapon which has been developed comparatively recently.

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Chatfield, the British Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, witnessed, when he was a young officer serving in H.M.S. Warspite, the first self-propelled torpedo attack on a heavy ship in history.

That was during the Chilean Revolution, when the battleship Blacocha Encarnada was sunk by torpedo attack from torpedo gunboats.

The first self-propelled torpedoes were driven by compressed air. They were known as "cold" torpedoes. They worked fairly well, except that their speed failed off as the pressure of the compressed air became reduced, and they left a very marked track of air bubbles.

These disadvantages were overcome by the development of what is known as the "hot" torpedo. Compressed air still plays an important part in the propulsion of these torpedoes, and the "air vessel" in which the compressed air is contained forms the greater part of the hull of the modern torpedo. The compressed air, however, no longer drives the torpedo. The air mixes with oil fuel and is burnt in the inside of a "generator." Down the outside of the "generator" runs water.

So high is the temperature of the "generator" that the air, oil and water which go in at one end come out at the other in the

forms of super-heated steam mixed with the gases of combustion. It is this mixture which drives the engine.

The engine of a modern torpedo is a marvel. It is a four-cylinder radial engine which fits into the twenty-one inch diameter of the torpedo's hull and takes up only about nine inches of its length. This little engine develops some three hundred horse-power, and is one of the most efficient power-units in the world. It is water-cooled by the sea, and it needs cooling for if a torpedo were run hot out of the water the engine would be reduced to a mass of molten metal in a very short time.

The engine drives, through gearing, two propellers which revolve in opposite directions. If there were only one propeller its grip on the water would tend to make the streamlined torpedo revolve while the propeller itself remained still.

THE depth below the surface at which a torpedo will run is regulated by horizontal rudders on the tail, which are operated by a combination of a hydrostatic valve and a pendulum weight. The weight takes charge if the nose of the torpedo goes up or down, while the valve is actuated by the sea pressure according to the depth at which the torpedo is set to run. The direction of the torpedo is controlled by vertical rudders operated by a highly efficient gyroscope run by compressed air.

The explosive charge of a torpedo is, of course, carried in the head, and it is fired when a torpedo hits its target by means of a "pistol" which fits onto the nose of the torpedo. This "pistol" contains the detonator and firing mechanism. It is provided with steel "whiskers" which stand out almost to the diameter of the torpedo, so that if the torpedo strikes a glancing blow on its target, one, at least, of these "whiskers" is certain to be struck and the torpedo fired. The actual weight of explosive in the head of a torpedo is secret, but experience has shown the power of these underwater weapons.

The modern torpedo is an exceedingly complicated piece of mechanism, and every part has to be accurate, not only as far as micrometer measurements are concerned, but also as regards weight. This is because a torpedo is very delicate. For efficient running a torpedo must have virtually no tendency either to float or to sink, so that its weight is a matter of nice calculation. Even the exact amounts of air, water, fuel and the rest of the things with which it is charged have to be carefully calculated so that the resulting weight is right.

It is not surprising that a highly complicated and delicate mechanism like a torpedo should be expensive. If you wanted to buy a modern torpedo and were able to do so you would not see much change out of £2,000.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The holiday feeling not having entirely worn off, interest in the market was little better than mediocre.

Union Ink	\$500
Docks	\$23
Humphreys	\$7.50
Tramways	\$17.50
China Lights (Old)	\$8.20
China Lights (New)	\$5.40
Ropes	\$5.45
H.K. Bank	\$1,500
Lands	\$20
Tramways	\$18
Telephones (Old)	\$30.10
Telephones (New)	\$11.60
Ropes	\$5.45
H.K. Bank	\$1,400
Union Ink	\$500/510
Docks	\$23
Providence	\$5.20
China Lights (Old)	\$8.20
Electricity	\$8.50
Telephones (Old)	\$30.10
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Big Pockets For Spring

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—A lively interest in military motifs is being shown. This was bound to happen and, when not played up too obviously, is nothing to worry over. We've already had dashes of legion red, cadet blue, capulet ideas, insignias, braid and some rather far-fetched uniform suggestions. Brass buttons are nothing new; neither are other nautical suggestions, in which one must include the perennial spring favourite—navy with white. The accented waistline, wasplike or not, needs a belt for further emphasis. On some of the new jacket and coat models the belt is at the back only or, if not, does a disappearing act through a slot or seam. It's all in the good cause of making the waist seem smaller than it would if encircled.

Coats Are Fitted

Coats for now and later are fitted. So are the longer jackets, which are such an important part of the heralded spring suit. Pockets are being picked, if you get what I mean, by the smartest and are for suits, dresses and just about everything on which a pocket may be put.

A term in use during the World War was chemise dress. It was a very straight up-and-down garment casually belted with what everyone called a string belt. This term has been rediscovered just in time for a revival of the style dress and belt it describes.

There's a lot to be said in favour of the chemise frock. You can slip it on without having to undo any slides or buttons at the waist and hips because it is cut full enough. So none is necessary.

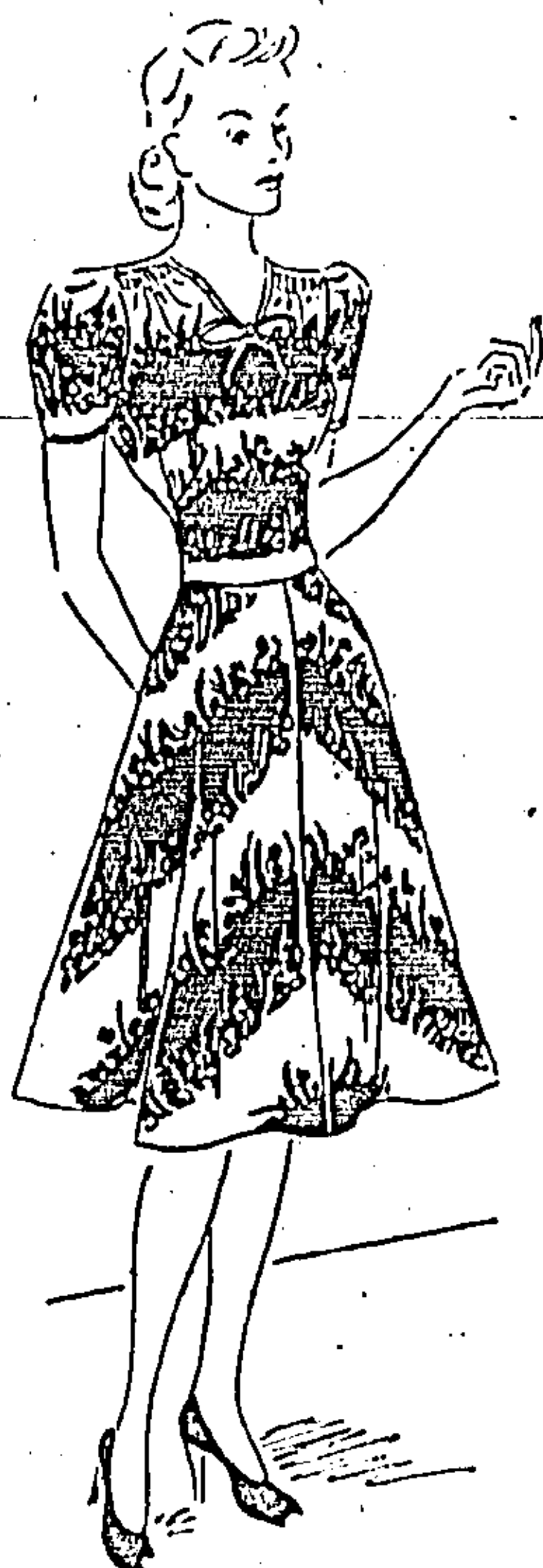
Gathered at Back

Yet the nice part about it is that the fullness gathers to the back under buttoned or tied belt and there is nothing sloppy about it. On the contrary the new chemise dresses are fitted and lined enough to take care of that and give a trim silhouette.

The half belts and full belts are worked in various ways. Southern resort wear saw a somewhat similar type launched—the princess dress with tied-in fullness at centre back and front, and unbelted accented fit at the sides.

Encores on pleats and return engagements on tucks. You might think each of these had worn out its welcome after so many seasons of popularity. But here's one more spring, and they're in again. Apparently, all they need is a winter's rest and are just as good as ever.

PARIS—Suzy launches pottery birds perched in flight on high-crowned narrow-brimmed canotters.



This black and white printed cotton frock in an unusual floral stripe adopts a soft technique with flared skirt from a tiny waistline. Shoulders are shirred and the neckline is bound in contrasting cording.

VIGILANCE CORPS

Autonomy in Government Refugee Camps

The Hongkong Medical Authorities wish gratefully to acknowledge gifts of raincoats, hats, etc., to the Vigilance Corps of the various urban refugee camps from the Hongkong Chinese Relief Association, through the kindness of Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Chairman.

The Corps is composed of destitute refugees who are responsible for the internal discipline of the camps, preventing petty thefts and taking charge of Government property. Regular inspections of the Corps are carried out. In the North Point and King's Park Camps the Vigilance Corps have taken the place of the uniformed Police. Government of the people by the people is a feature which is being developed as far as possible in the Government camps.



Spring hats are designed for any change in weather. Here is one to wear when the report says "Fair with rising temperature." Shaded blue wings and a cluster of red flowers all manage to fit within the upturned brim of this miniature hat. The body of the hat is yellow straw; the frothy veil, green. Designed by Sally Victor.

FASHIONS FOR MEN

By BARCLAY SWAIN

THE sock story this year is that men will continue to wear short size with elastic cuffs in the spring, summer and fall, says Westminster Hosiery, one of the largest in the business. We saw practically the whole line and were astonished at the number of really swell looking socks that they turned out for fifty cents at retail. Most men buy their socks in that price line. In the dollar range some few go in for fancy cloths, quite sheer lises, silks and the better wools. But the average man wears four-bit socks.

The note this year is on pastels in blends. Mainly soft greens and blues, browns and tans, with overplaid of red and white. That appears to be what most men want. These colours are good because they tone in with the ties, suits and shorts that will be worn in the coming season.

New Type of Stifle

The newest development is what is known as the "link and link" type of sock. This is made on a special English machine in the trick cable stitches that are used on some sweaters. It is a good fitting sock because the construction is elastic. These socks are made with coarse heavy mercerized yarns in pastels, darker tones and canary and white. While, incidentally, appears to have lost popularity this year. White what you are used to wearing.

Wild Stripes For Jitterbugs
Jitterbugs should go for a wildly striped sock made of terry cloth. It's worn with the household shoes these youths affect. Oddly enough, the counterpart for women comes only in beautifully toned solids, for the girls prefer them that way. In these shades they are very attractive. But to quote our sock expert, who said solemnly as he showed us these wild ankle hiders, "They're terrific!"—and he meant in sales.

In the dollar hose, there is a soft brushed wool type, vulcanized, supposed not to mat in washing. It comes in soft shades and is used for golf. A smart wool sock is the best construction in wool. This is also in the higher bracket. Because of the war, it looks as if wool socks may shoot up. Better buy them now if that is what you are used to wearing.

SHORT CUTS

Did you know that a metal mould used for chilling gelatin desserts chills more quickly than enamel and earthenware dishes?

A puppy that is too young for a bath may be cleaned as follows: Stand him on a newspaper in the bathroom and rub cornmeal gently but thoroughly through his fur, repeating several times, but using the same meal. Follow with a good brushing.

Excessive dryness of soil is just as injurious to potted plants as excess moisture.

To have an absolutely smooth ironing board cover, tack the cover on while it is wet. It will dry gradually and be perfectly even.

Use a few drops of ammonia, applied with a swab, to remove acid discolorations. Follow this treatment by dabbing lightly with alcohol and water.

A chicken rubbed well inside with a lemon cut in halves before it is cooked, will have whiter meat and be more juicy and tender.

Australian Date Loaf

HERE is a real-time favourite from "down under." It is particularly suitable for children, for as well as being economical to make it is highly nutritious as well.

Two teaspoonsful of flour and two teaspoonsful of whole meal, one cupful of chopped dates, half a cupful of chopped walnuts, or other nuts, two heaped teaspoonsful of baking powder, and half teaspoonful of salt.

Mix all well together, add two tablespoonsful of melted syrup and one cupful of warm milk. Make mixture fairly moist adding a little extra milk if needed. Stand aside in a warm place for about 20 minutes. Put into a well-greased deep tin and bake for about an hour in a hot oven.

D. F.

HONGKONG ESTATE

Hongkong estate valued at \$117,500 was left by the late Mr. Culab Ilakim, otherwise known as Gulab, ocellist, formerly of Chak Mughani, Jullundur, Punjab, who died there in March 8, 1939. Probate of the will has been granted to Mr. Abbas Khan.



A cardigan jacket in imported nubby linen striped in pastel tones of rose, pink and violet gives a gay accent to a frock in dusty pink spun rayon.

DINGHY CAPSIZED

Artilleryman Thrown Into Water Off Stonecutters

A European soldier was thrown into the water when his sailing dinghy capsized off Stonecutters Island yesterday.

He was L/Bdr. Inglis of the Royal Artillery on Stonecutters. After being in the water for 20 minutes, Inglis was picked up by some men of the Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery. A motor boat from the Armament Depot assisted.

A Police launch had passed Inglis, but although three Chinese aboard apparently saw him, no action was taken. Presumably his plight was not realised.

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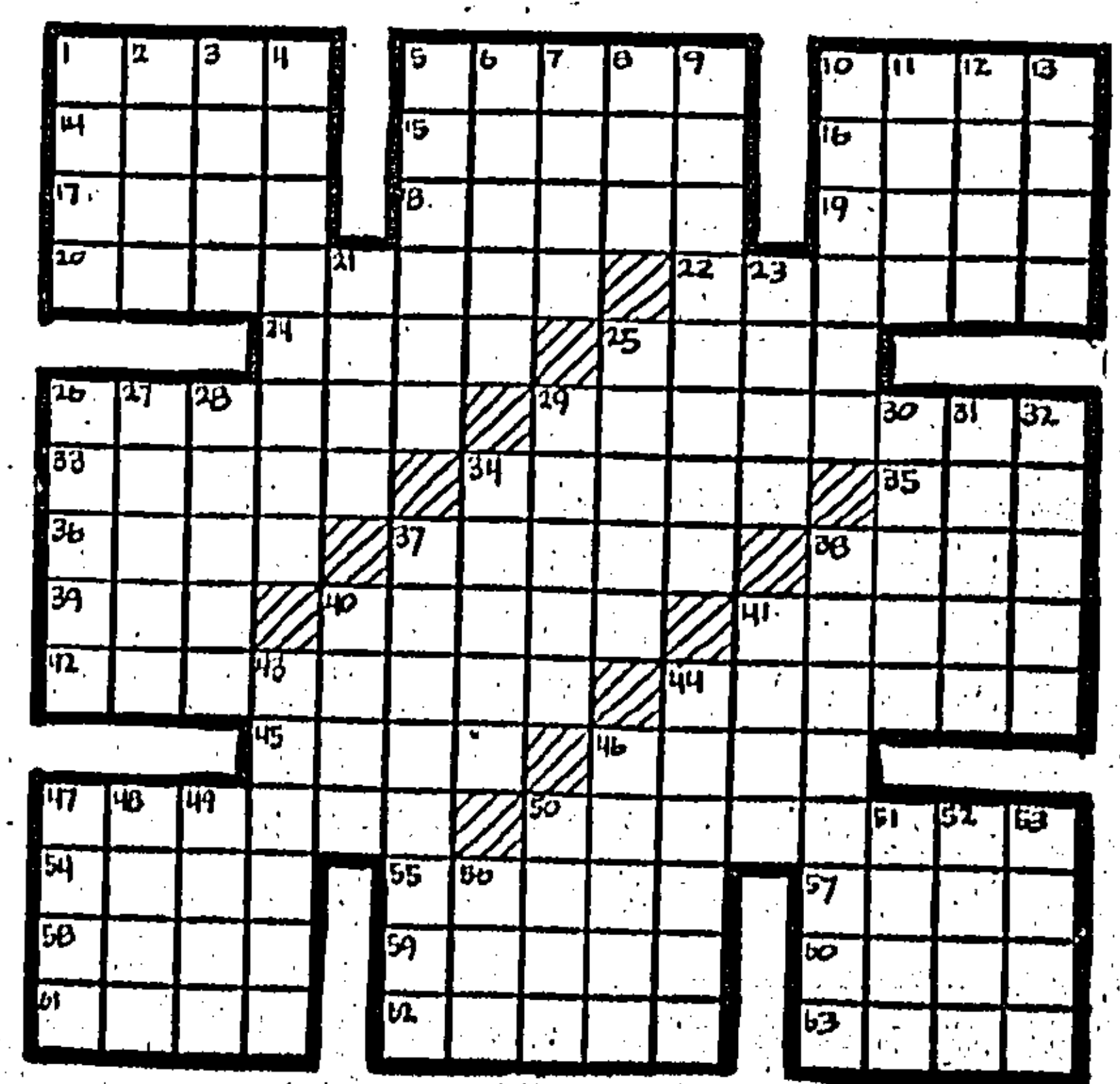
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Mother
2—Type of jazz
3—National assembly of
4—Mohammedan saint (10 letters)
5—Enough (poetic)
6—German
7—Hand-to-hand fight
8—Device for keeping papers in order
9—Like a goose
10—Managed publication of
11—Drunkards
12—Door
13—Tall over in detail
14—Lodged in private house
15—Carpentry
16—One denoting only one in sentence
17—Grease
18—Great statesman (1880 B.C.)
19—Decorated estate
20—Too bad
21—Indian queen
22—Curious tubular furniture
23—Small bottle
24—Were of importance
25—Announce loudly
26—Birds of prey
27—South African Dutch colonist
28—Shore bird with long bill
29—Twilight
30—Dry land
31—Approximately

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1—Segment of body of animal
2—Out of work
3—Bird
4—Infectious bird
5—Least, whole number
6—Burrowing mammal
7—Infectious fear in people
8—Decays
9—Clothes-drier
10—District of Poland
11—Orbit of satellite
12—Native part of furniture
13—Lessened amount of
14—Twists
15—Furnishings of office
16—Narrow waterway in town
17—Toward the east
18—Those who cause
19—Fest
20—Nothing but
21—Small insect
22—Loud wailing
23—Northern constellation
24—Low spirits (col.)
25—Kind of fish
26—Two-footed bird of Brazil
27—East-Indian game
28—Reward for food
29—Russian name
30—Ancient Roman emperor
31—Developed
32—Dish

DOWN
1—To law, unjustifiable delay
2—Denoting act
3—Body of concrete matter
4—Type of wall



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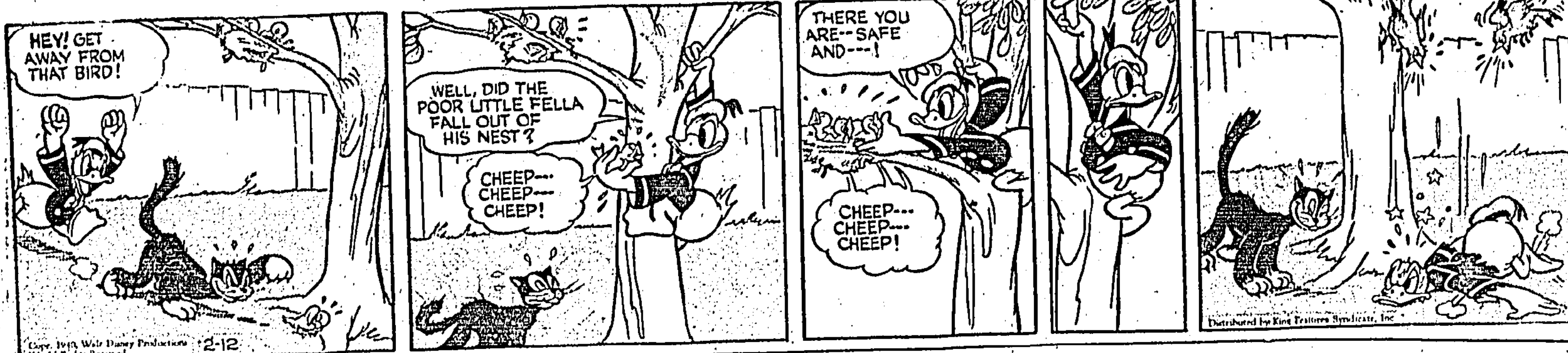
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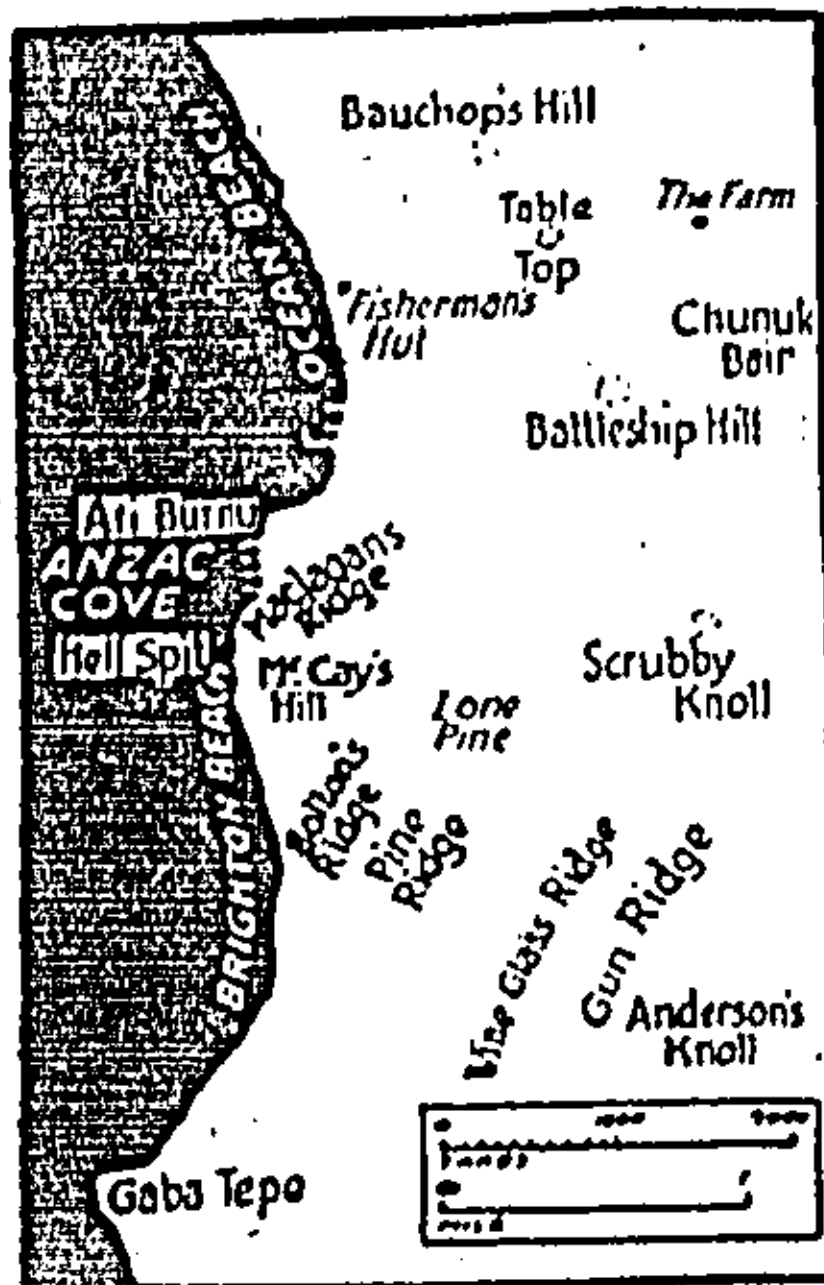
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News from the Empire

These names stir memories



AUSTRALIAN and New Zealand troops won the admiration of the world—including that of their hard-fighting enemy, the Turk—by their exploits in the Gallipoli campaign.

NAMES of the places shown in the map above—of the Anzac sector on the Peninsula—will bring back to many men of the 1940 contingent memories of their exploits twenty-five years ago.

ZEST in battle was the mark of the men who fought their way from Anzac Cove, over Maclellan's Ridge, from Ocean Beach up to Table Top.

AFTER the withdrawal from the Peninsula they won battle honours in Palestine and on the Western Front.

CROWNING achievement, however, was their holding, for three months, of their 14-mile line above Anzac Cove—in the words of the official war historian—They made this apparently hopeless position impregnable, a story that will live for ever.

CLINICAL MEETING

A clinical meeting of the Hongkong and China branch of the British Medical Association will be held at 9 p.m. to-day at the Queen Mary Hospital.

ANZACS MOVE INTO TENT CITIES IN THE DESERT

Eden Flew to Welcome "The Boys" to Egypt

SUEZ.

THE first of the Anzacs are here in Suez and, sixty miles up the canal, at Ismailia. In the biggest troop convoy ever to put to sea they voyaged 10,000 miles from New Zealand and Australia, and they landed, singing and shouting their war cries, in Egypt. Mr. Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary, after a secret flight from England, took a launch out to the troopships lying anchored off Suez, carrying in his pocket a message from the King.

It read:— "I know well that the splendid tradition established by the armed forces of New Zealand will be worthily upheld by you, who have left your homes to fight for the cause that the whole Empire has made its own. Now that you have entered the field of active service, I send you a very warm welcome, together with my best wishes for your welfare."

Men swarmed in the rigging of the ships and clustered round the lifeboats aboard the "flagship" of the convoy—once a luxury liner—to hear Mr. Eden and senior officers of the Empire's Middle Eastern Army welcome them ashore.

"In crossing the seas you boys have sent the bravest and most encouraging message it is in a nation's power to send. Britain thanks you," Mr. Eden told them. Then a lank New Zealander hauled him down from the hatch on which he was speaking with the words, "Come down here, pal, we want to get a picture of you."

Mixers

For an hour Mr. Eden, General Wavell, and Britain's Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Miles Lampson, moved among the crowd signing autographs and handing round cigarettes.

It is—exactly—twenty-five years since Egypt saw these soldiers—rather, their fathers, for most of these men are sons of the original Anzacs—nuggety, close-knit figures. They seem a bit quieter in manner than their fathers, but they are just as tough.

Officers and men wear hats like a Boy Scout's, and carry a 50lb. kit that will take them through any weather—the desert heat or the storms up north.

"I'll stake whatever military reputation I have on these lads," Major-General Freyberg, the New Zealanders' V.C. commander-in-chief, told me.

That reputation is formidable. Freyberg, six-foot champion swimmer, got a D.S.O. at Gallipoli by swimming ashore naked, his body painted black, to light flares on an enemy-held beach to create a diversion.

He won his V.C. on the Somme. The Australian commander is another veteran of the last war—Lieut.-General Sir Thomas Blamey. General Blamey was seven times mentioned in despatches during his service in France in 1918. In 1919 he was chief of staff of the Australian Imperial Force. He is now fifty-six. Many of his senior officers are old comrades-in-arms. In the ranks, too, you can see scores of original Anzacs. Men like Paddy Bourke, or Jack Orr, two of the oldest men in the contingent.

Bantams

They are both fifty-five, both five-foot "bantams." Both landed here to fight in the last war. Both were wounded, and now they have come back to fight as they did before—as sergeants this time.

Nurses came, too. Trim, serious, grey-coated girls in their twenties and thirties. They had little to do. A squadron of British warships brought the troops across three oceans, out of summer into winter, without a single serious incident. For five weeks they stole, blacked-out by night, toward the Red Sea without the Nazis getting an idea of their position.

Even rumour-ridden Egypt was taken by surprise, as troop-trains after troop-train passed by on the way to the desert camps.

Advance parties have prepared vast tent cities. As the troops move in they find that the sand has sprouted water taps, Macadam roads, petrol dumps and radio stations have been built.

Canal Drive

Leaving the New Zealanders after lunch, Mr. Eden motored up the canal back to Ismailia to board the Australian troopships.

"Hullo, Tony," the men roared as he clambered aboard.

There was another huge cheer when the men heard that their arrival had been announced in Australia. Their wives and families didn't know where they had been sent. They had had no news of their husbands, fathers and sweethearts for a month.

"Till last night the men themselves had no idea where they were bound for," Brigadier Allen said. "They started sweeping about it some even bought a Canada and Finland in the 'sweep.' " "But now we know what we're in for, and we expect a fight."

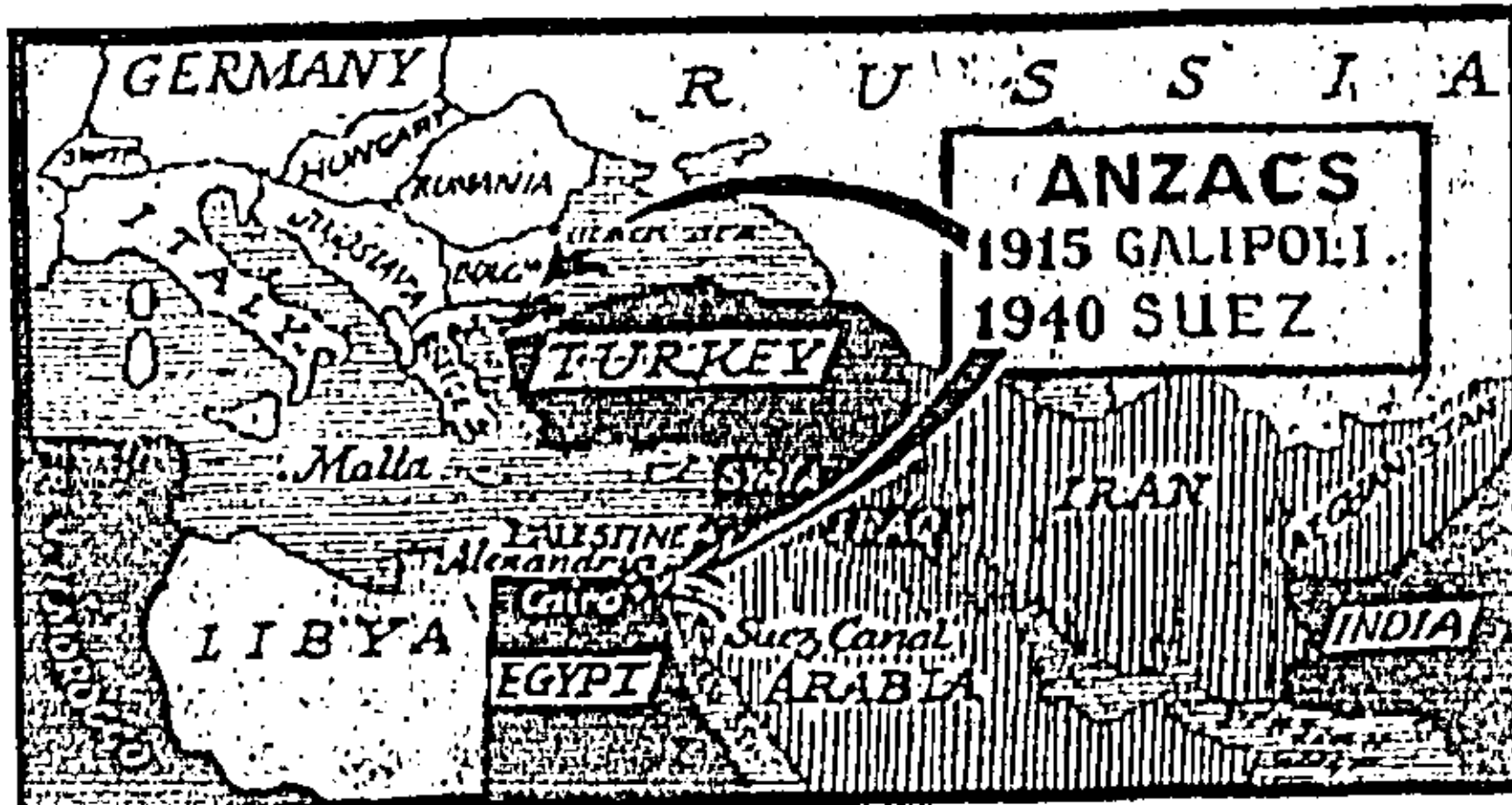
Brigadier W. Darby

New O. C. Salvation Army In H.K.

General Carpenter of The Salvation Army, has decided to appoint Brigadier Wm. Darby as Officer Commanding The Salvation Army in South China and Hongkong. The Brigadier takes over this Command from Colonel V. E. Rolfe, who went home on leave last year and who will be taking up another appointment most probably in England.

Brigadier and Mrs. Darby are not in any way new to China, both having spent nearly 21 years in this country, the major portion of the time being served in North China. The Brigadier came South four and a half years ago to take up the post of General Secretary to The Army in South China, therefore he takes up this new post with wide experience of China and also of the peculiar needs of the district in which he now commands the activities of The Salvation Army. He also has wide knowledge of the Army having been an Officer for nearly 32 years. Becoming an Officer from Birmingham in 1907, he commanded many centres of work in Great Britain before coming to China. Mrs. Darby is Australian.

1915, BULLETS: 1940, CHEERS



Twenty-five years. In February 1915 the Anzacs were making their famous and costly landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula. In February 1940 they land, acclaimed, from converted luxury liners—but ready for any development in this strange new war.

Husband Quarrels About The Baby

NOW HE SAYS 'IT'S MY FAULT'

Madchen Want Husbands

For the first time women's advertisements for husbands appear in the Nazi Volkischer Beobachter. The newspaper has always refused such advertisements, but it now explains that "the population policy of National-Socialism has always promoted efforts leading to marriages."

NORA BROUCHER, twenty-five-year-old wife and mother, stood crying in Stockport (Cheshire) Police Court. She was accused of trying to murder her baby, aged three months.

Her husband, William. Henry Broucher, walked to the front of the court and said, "Please may I speak? It's all my fault."

He said he had quarrelled with his wife about the baby. "I have ill-treated her," he went on, "and I am going to make a fresh start."

"This case has taught me a lesson. I want to start the New Year together."

Told His Wife

"Please give us a chance." He said he had always told his wife that the baby was not his. He quarrelled with her before leaving for work one morning. Then he felt "something was going to happen," so he asked to be let off work early. The prosecution said that when Mr. Broucher got home he found his wife distracted, nursing her baby and muttering "I didn't mean it." She told her mother-in-law that she tried to strangle the baby.

Mrs. Broucher, whose address was given as Richardson-street, Stockport, was committed to Chester Assizes.

But the chairman granted bail, and said "The magistrates incline to the view that it will be best to let you have a new start at once."

SOUTH AFRICA

Pastor Refuses To Bless Hitler

CAPETOWN. NAZI sympathisers in the Orange Free State have found a "Niemoeller"—Pastor Wilhelm Luckhoff, of the Lutheran Church in Bloemfontein.

Luckhoff, censured because he refused to pray for God's blessing on Hitler, resigned.

"I have been fighting the Nazi spirit in Bloemfontein ever since I realised that Nazism and Christianity are in direct conflict," he said. "To have asked God's blessing for Hitler would have been a mockery."

After the Church Council's vote of censure, threatening letters—most of them anonymous—poured into Pastor Luckhoff's home. He was warned that his life would be in danger unless he quit the Free State.

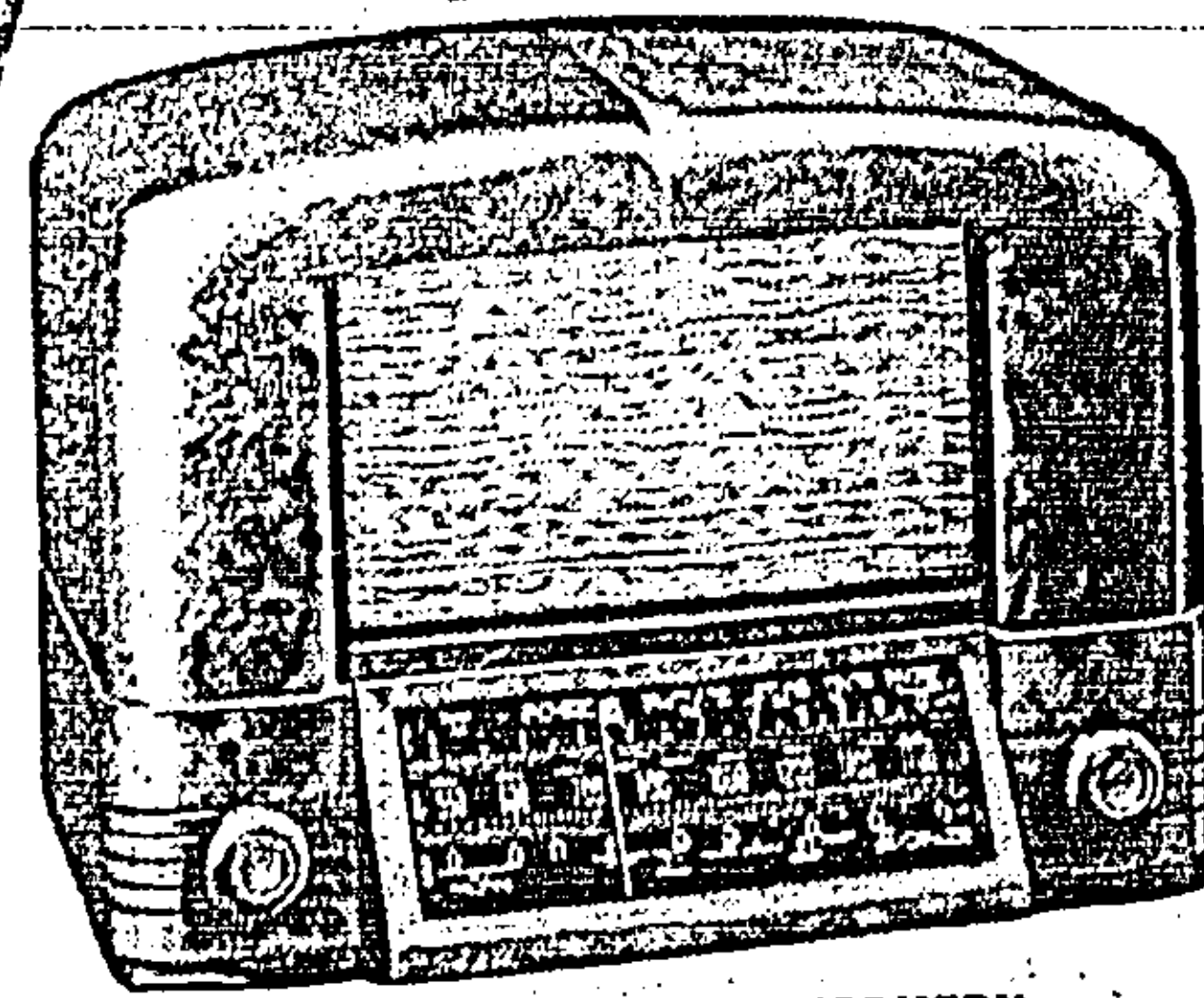
Martin Niemoeller, former U-boat commander, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Dahle, Berlin, was hounded from his pulpit and thrown into jail by the Nazis because he drew attention to the clash of Nazism and Christianity. Nazi judges could find him guilty of no crime, but he was returned to a concentration camp as "politically unreliable."

Devotion

"I gather from the very best sources that Mr. Elliot (Minister of Health) has haggled once a week. From what I have seen of it I should think that eating haggles once a week really plumbs the depth of national devotion."—Professor Frederick Langmead, at a London luncheon recently. (Haggles, originally French, consists of minced heart, lungs, liver, suet, onions and oatmeal, boiled in sheep's stomach. Served with whisky.)



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GIRL STOPS PANIC IN MID-AIR BLAZE

MELBOURNE.

FLYING six thousand feet above South Australia to-day eleven passengers in the air-liner Bungalow felt a shock to the machine and, looking through their observation windows, saw flames burst from one of the engines.

Then, along the central gangway walked the plane's young air hostess, calmly telling them to keep in their seats, but to buckle their safety belts.

The plane, on the Melbourne-Adelaide run, had been struck in the starboard propeller by a giant wedge-tailed eagle.

Captain Croucher, her pilot, skillfully side-slipping the machine to keep the flames away from the fuselage, brought the plane down to within a hundred feet of the ground before the blazing engine fell off.

Then, grazing tree-tops and smashing through a fence, he landed steadily in a paddock near Dimboola, and, climbing out, put out the fire with his extinguishers.

One of the passengers said later: "We thought our end had come. We held each other's hands and waited. But that air hostess was superb. She

moved calmly among us, helping us to fasten our safety belts."

Exports Take Lead

AUSTRALIA'S overseas trade made tremendous strides during the seven months ended January 31. Exports increased by £3,500,000 compared with the same period of 1938-39, and an unfavourable balance of £234,000 was converted into a favourable balance of £3,300,000—an aggregate improvement of nearly £4,000,000.

Way to Victory

"We cannot expect to win this war unless we carry the fight to the enemy," said Lieut.-General Blamey, Commander of the Australian Imperial Force.

"I do not underrate the importance of the Air Force. Its proportionate part in the war is greater than ever before and, probably, will increase, but it is ancillary to our land and fighting rather than an effective win-the-war instrument."

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 bereavement, flowers and atten-
 dance at the funeral of his wife.

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The Economic Link

BRITISH Ministers have again and again insisted that the present alliance in arms between Britain and France, with its inevitable economic corollary, may well result in a closer and an enduring co-operation when peace returns. A not unimportant step in this direction is to be seen in the Anglo-French trade agreements concluded between the President of the Board of Trade and the French Minister of Commerce. The effect of them is to relax considerably the measures of prohibition and restriction which had to be imposed on the outbreak of war. They are, in fact, the logical sequel to the financial agreements between the two countries which were concluded last December; and they lead the way to the establishment of similar arrangements between other parts of the British and French Empires. Such reciprocity, whose consequence must be a growing inter-dependence, is of the happiest augury.

It is also satisfactory to know that the means of overcoming difficulties in the way of the parallel development of French and British export trade have been examined, and that the discussions between the Federation of British Industries and the equivalent organisation in France have been approved. Such a move might easily eventuate in something very like an industrial alliance. For the immediate moment the announcement that will be most welcomed, however, is the agreed intention to simplify to the greatest possible extent the existing formalities relating to the control of external trade, the movement of private persons, and communications by post, telegraph and telephone. These formalities have proved not only unduly restrictive but positively vexatious. Trade between Britain and France has been forced, as it were into a strait waistcoat, and healthy activity has been made impossible. No better foundation could be laid for that intimate collaboration between the two countries which, it is hoped, will be a potent factor in post-war economies than this decision to give business interchanges the freedom to function.



HOPE: "Dare I risk plucking that one again?"

Something To Cling To—That's All They Asked

THOSE Nazi airmen who murdered the men in the East Dudgeon lightship would be furious to learn that they have indirectly done the best turn of the war to Britain's merchant seamen.

What happened to that defenceless lightship crew has turned Authority's spotlight on the need for greater safety measures for men of the sea.

Mr. Winston Churchill has announced that crews are to be taken off the further-out lightships. And the further-out lightships are to be replaced by light-floats without crews.

No more will we risk men whose whole working life has been spent helping the vessels of all nations, German included.

But if the seas are unsafe for fishing trawlers and the slow, old tramps which would normally be bound for the scrap-yard, but are now of greater value to the nation than they have ever been before?

They have been telling strange, disquieting tales, these men of the tramps, on their return from recent voyages.

GAVIN DOUGLAS, Scottish novelist, has just ended a voyage as a deck-hand.

His ship was so old and so slow that she could not join a convoy. But she is useful enough to bring 10,000 tons of iron-ore to this country each trip she makes.

Douglas is bitter, but he is going to sea again.

There were times on that last trip when he and his shipmates were convinced that they were just plain, fool suicides.

They looked at their lifeboats as the ship creaked and groaned through the danger zones, and they had morbid discussion on the number of ways they could go down without the lifeboats being the tiniest scrap of use.

The crew were concerned about the lack of safety.

In their hours off duty they formed little informal discussion groups.

One or two of them actually planned to leave odd spars lying about in the scuppers in the hope that if the ship went down there would be "spares" floating about afterwards.

That was all they asked. Something to cling to.

When Gavin Douglas came to see me he was not angry. Simply puzzled. "If we can spend money

to protect property," he said, "a little could be spared to save our lives."

He made two suggestions. "A range for a slow-slow convoy," he said, "and see that every ship, however small, however old, has a raft slung to her deck, quickly detachable in time of trouble . . . you'll cut your losses of life at sea by half."

He added that the special provisioning of these rafts, with sealed lockers containing food, water, spirits and flares, could be economically provided.

This story was told to me ten days ago. There is a footnote. Since then every member of that crew has gone back to sea.

Douglas himself hopes to go back next month.

ROBERT STANLEY was the second steward of a ship that sank off the west coast last month.

It was Robert Stanley's job to stow away bottles of brandy in the lifeboats at the beginning of the voyage.

After he and his mates had been floundering round in the cold waters of the bay for some hours they were hauled aboard one of their own lifeboats.

They sat there shivering in the stern when Stanley suddenly remembered the brandy.

He called to the officer in charge.

"Pass the brandy, sir."

There was a shocked silence.

Then the officer spoke. "Don't you remember?" he said. "We drank it all at our Christmas party."

When Stanley saw me he made one suggestion.

"There ought to be a law," he said, "making it an offence to open the seal of any locker in a lifeboat or on a raft before a ship is abandoned."

Stanley hasn't waited for his law. He went to sea again last week.

MR. H. is an expert on marine life-saving equipment. For years he was in charge of liner lifeboats.

Now he has a shore job organising helped British seamen.

the fitting of lifeboats and other appliances.

The excellent Board of Trade specifications met most contingencies at sea in peace time, he says.

Most passenger ships were well equipped but the cargo ships—ocean and coastwise—need overhauling now, especially those more than ten years old.

In many of these oldish ships the lifeboats leak badly when launched. Some of the boats suffer from overzealous painting.

"One I examined," he said, "would have been impossible to use for life-saving. It was so painted up that it was impossible to get the rowlocks into the gunwale fittings."

When a ship is mined or torpedoed it seldom sinks on anything like an even keel. Mr. H. says it is often impossible to lower away more than two of the four possible lifeboats.

HE makes these suggestions:—

That at least two lifeboats, one forward on the port side, one aft on the starboard, should be fitted with a petrol or paraffin engine—giving a range of 100 miles—at a cost of £150 a boat.

That each ship should carry at least four life-rafts, fitted with man ropes and calcium flares, similar to the Carley floats used by Navy ships.

That when ships enter danger zones all lifeboats should be swung out on the davits.

He makes another proposal for firemen on coal-burning ships.

They work in an atmosphere of 100 to 120 degrees. Few of them ever provide themselves with warm clothing. When their ship goes down they suffer terribly from exposure.

"Why not provide these men with warm 'duffle' coats?" says Mr. H.

If shipowners are ordered to fit ships with motor lifeboats, or fit existing lifeboats with engines, and life-rafts, he adds, arrangements can be made in every main port to complete the job in forty-eight hours.

I PASSED all these suggestions on to a member of the Advisory Committee to the Ministry of Shipping.

He telephoned me.

"We have done quite a lot along the lines you suggest," he says, "but now the whole business is to be speeded up for every one."

"Why the sudden spurt?" I asked.

"That East Dudgeon lightship affair was the last straw," he said.

That's how those Nazi airmen have helped British seamen.

FRANCE HAS HER DORANS

—And has given twice as many decorations as we have . . .

SOME of our very gallant allies, the fliers of the French Armée de l'Air, are not being heard of quite enough in this queer war.

The fault is not theirs.

They have their Dorans too. In fact, the French Government so far has awarded its airmen more than twice as many decorations as our R.A.F. men have received.

Some people believe that the French system of decorations is more truly democratic than the British.

In many cases whole crews of French bomber reconnaissance machines are being decorated for working together as a team.

The captain, his radio operator, gunners and navigator nearly always receive the same decoration—generally a mention in Army Orders and the Croix de Guerre.

The only time the British show the same impartiality is when they leave whole crews undecorated.

Meet some of the Allied heroes . . . N.C.O. Pilot Pierre Frebillet, Chief Sergeant Pierre Lacaille and Corporal Pierre Martelliers are a bomber crew who have all won Army Orders and the Croix de Guerre.

The official report says this of them: "A worthy and gallant crew. During a photographic reconnaissance they were attacked at great height by enemy fighters. They fought as they continued to carry out their mission. Although both machine gunners were wounded and one engine put out of action, by skilful manoeuvre and shooting they managed to get back to their base with important information."

N.C.O. Pilot Antoine Mercy has won the Military Medal as well as the Croix de Guerre with Palm. On photographic reconnaissance he was attacked by three Messerschmitts.

The official report says:— "Thanks to his sang-froid he succeeded, in spite of grave burns, in bringing his flaming machine back to the French lines. His machine gunner killed at his post. He thus enabled his observer to jump by parachute into French territory with valuable photographs. In these conditions he showed a magnificent spirit of sacrifice worthy of the highest praise." Antoine Mercy's sacrifice was the supreme one.

Then there are the simple, brief mentions like this dozens of them: "Sergeant Pilot Michel Marlas, brilliant fighter pilot. He proved his worth on his first flight in action. Attacked by two Messerschmitts, he shot one down and forced the other out of action."

Young Lieutenant Tisler was on a photographic reconnaissance when his machine was disabled by anti-aircraft fire. Then came three Messerschmitts. Every man in the bomber was wounded. The machine was in flames. It fought its way back to the base. Lieutenant Tisler had saved the photographs.

Nearly 90 per cent. of these gallant actions for which decorations are being given took place over German territory. The French are taking the initiative.

The fliers of the Armée de l'Air may not be lucky enough to have Spitfires, Hurricanes and Wellington bombers. But they have plenty of that without which all the Spitfires in the world would be useless.

They are brave, and gay.

The B.A.F. on the Western Front have worthy comrades to fly with.

Sydney Smith

British Loan To Spain

To Assist Work Of Reconstruction

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The loan agreement between the United Kingdom and the Spanish Government, published to-day, refers to the United Kingdom's desire to assist the Spanish Government in promotion of reconstruction work.

The United Kingdom Government will undertake to advance to the Spanish Government a sum not exceeding £2,000,000, to be paid into a sterling current account.

4½ Per Cent. Interest

The Spanish Government will undertake to pay the United Kingdom interest at the rate of four and a half per cent. per annum on the sums advanced and will repay the whole loan in 20 half-yearly instalments beginning on June 30, 1942.

The Trade and Payments agreement, the text of which is also published, will come into force on April 1.

Normalising Friendship

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Anglo-Spanish agreement on clearing arrangements has been re-established by a Trade and Payments agreement. "Reuters" learns that the occasion for the inauguration of the Loan Agreement is regarded in official quarters as a commencement of a period in which friendly and economic relations between the two countries have been placed on a normal basis.

The agreement is regarded as dovetailing into the Anglo-Spanish war trade agreement which, it is hoped, will be merely the beginning of a much more considerable volume of trade between the two countries whose economic conditions are in so many respects complementary.

Test For New Explosive

Expert's Successful Demonstration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MIDDLEBURY, MARYLAND, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. Lester Barlow, the explosive expert, to-day gave the first public demonstration of his liquid oxygen explosive.

He detonated an 8-ounce charge behind a log, and chunks of timber weighing twelve pounds were hurled as high as 150 feet.

Also he demonstrated that the explosive cannot be detonated by flames, rifle bullets or in being dropped from the air.

Chopper Than T.N.T.

A 5-pound charge was fired in a steel shell from a cannon at point blank range against a steel barricade. It did not explode. The same charge was then detonated electrically in a sand-bagged dugout. It ripped the sand-bags to pieces and scattered them in all directions.

The explosive costs 4½ cents per pound as compared with the peacetime price of 22 cents per pound for T.N.T.

Army observers said the tests proved the safety features, rather than the power, of the explosive. However, the power will probably be larger in later charges.

British Subjects Repatriated

MOSCOW, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Over half the British subjects in Soviet occupied Poland have now been repatriated.

When the Soviets occupied Poland there were some 200 British subjects there, mainly visiting relatives, less than 100 remain and most of these are Palestinians with some Canadian Ukrainians.

The former are leaving at the rate of ten a fortnight.

The well-known Zionist, John Rundenstein, is among those who recently left for Palestine.

COPPER STRIKE SETTLED

NDOLA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The strike by copper workers has been settled following the arrival here of the Governor, Sir John Maybin.

It is learned that all the strikers are likely to resume work to-morrow.

HUNGARY TO DROP HER BALKAN CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 26 (UP).—In a front page interview with the afternoon newspaper "La Tribuna," Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, hinted that Hungary has momentarily dropped her revisionist claims against the Balkan countries in view of the international situation.

Count Teleki, however, refused to comment regarding Hungarian-Rumanian relations.

Referring to his visit to Rome, Count Teleki said that in view of the critical situation in Europe he wants to "exchange views with friendly nations."

Teleki Talks With Il Duce

ROME, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—A communique issued after the meeting between Count Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Signor Mussolini states that the conversation resulted in a proposal for working out further collaboration between the two countries.

SHELL FELL ON NORWAY

British Destroyer In Alleged Incident

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—An allegation that a British destroyer in attempting to stop a German vessel fired a warning shot which fell on Norwegian soil was made in an official statement issued to-day.

According to the statement, the incident occurred near Obstad on March 22. When the German vessel, alleged to be a torpedo boat, was sighted, the British destroyer fired a warning shot which fell on the shore not far from the road and near the railway station.

The Norwegian Legation in London has been instructed to protest energetically against this violation of the neutrality regulations.

Farmers' Big Effort

Millions Of Extra Arable Acres Ready

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—The Government scheme of grants to farmers who plough additional land to increase the food supply and thus release tonnage needed for the import of other war supplies is stated to have had gratifying results.

The "News Chronicle" says: "Farmers have laboured like Trojans to make a success of the ploughing campaign. If the weather is reasonably good during the next few weeks, they will probably be able to complete the programme of two million extra arable acres in addition to the 11 million acres they would have ploughed in any case."

ALLIES' HUGE PURCHASES

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Allies have already placed orders in the United States exceeding £150,000,000, according to Sir Louis Beale, a member of the Anglo-French Purchasing Board, speaking at a luncheon given by the Export Managers' Club.

Sir Louis Beale said that the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission had received the utmost co-operation and fulfilment from American industry. Not a single attempt to take advantage of the Allies' urgent needs had been encountered.

Soviet Feverishly Buying Petrol

TOKYO, Mar. 27 (Reuters).—The Soviet Union is "feverishly importing" petrol from America through Vladivostok, according to a Japanese Press message from Tsushima, which is the terminus of the ferry-boat service linking Vladivostok with Japan.

The message adds that the Soviets are also seeking to develop their own Far Eastern deposits.

STOCK EXCHANGE HAS QUIET DAY

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day markets were quiet. There was little activity in any group except home rails which were higher on reports of large Eastern holiday traffic.

Indian Government stocks tended to harden. Elsewhere, movements were very small.

Wall Street was steady.

MAURETANIA AT CANAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CRISTOBAL, Mar. 26 (UP).—The British liner Mauretania left Gatun Locks at noon to-day and is expected to reach Balboa about 6 p.m.

She will probably sail from there this evening.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Mr. Gladney Grant, previously United States Ambassador to Albania, has been nominated Minister to Thailand.

Danish Ship Torpedoed

U-Boat Action Causes Death Roll Of 13

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—It has been revealed that the Danish ship Britta (1,146 tons) was torpedoed by a U-boat in the Atlantic on Monday.

The ship was in ballast en route to a British port from Denmark when an explosion shook her from bow to stern, after which she sank almost immediately.

Thirteen lives were lost and five survivors have been landed at a port in northwest Scotland to-day.

Dutch Crew Rescued

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—A British warship found eight members of the crew of a Dutch trawler on a raft and took them to an English coast port. Three members of the crew are missing.

The cause of the loss of the trawler is not yet known.

Brilliant Rescue

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The latest neutral victim of Nazi warfare is the Danish ship, Britta, which was torpedoed in the Atlantic on Monday.

Five survivors have reached Britain. Their lives were saved by a brilliant rescue by a nearby ship whose name is not revealed.

A life-boat was sent out but it capsized in the heavy seas. The crew righted the boat, clambered back and made their way to the sinking Britta.

The life-boat made a second trip but the Britta had gone. Nothing was left save two empty rafts.

Attacked Four Times

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—When the Norwegian ship, Panfjell, arrived at a Norwegian port on Monday, her crew described how, during the past month, their ship was attacked four times by German bombers and once by a U-boat.

They escaped each time.

The crew also saw an attack last week by several Nazi bombs on another Norwegian ship, Svinta, which was sunk.

NO POST-WAR U.S. BOOM

Author Paints Dismal Picture Of Europe

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. A. W. Zolomok, President of the International Statistical Bureau, in a new book entitled "This Peculiar War" concludes that nothing good is likely to come from Europe for years.

He says nobody wants Europe at all—Russia—who wants it for every other else.

Also he warns that there will be no boom for the United States comparable with that after the First World War.

STERLING FLOPS IN NEW YORK

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Showing the effect of the British Government's decree restricting the use of a free market for sterling in international trade, the pound plunged to a new 8-years low level on the New York Foreign Exchange market to-day.

United States Steel Corporation to-day declared a dollar dividend on the common stock payable on April 26—the first dividend to be paid in three years.

U.S. PLANES FOR THE ALLIES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—One reason for the reported change in the United States' plane selling policy is believed to be due to reports reaching Washington regarding the production of German planes.

In some official quarters the German production is said to be 3,000 monthly with a prediction of a rapid increase to 6,000 monthly.

While some experts consider these figures ludicrously high, the reports appear to be stimulating the United States to ensure that America shall play a part in the building up of the Allies' air strength.

Red Cross Fund Now Totals £1,260,000

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John Fund for the sick and wounded in the war now stands at £1,260,000, representing an increase of £18,000 over the Easter holidays.

The Secretary of State for India has forwarded £7500, representing the sterling equivalent of two sums of 50,000 rupees contributed by the states of Dhar and Barwani for seven ambulances.

More Raids Over Germany

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—A Berlin radio command communique admits that during Sunday night, "enemy planes flew over north and south-west Germany."

The communique claims that these planes "several times violated the territory of Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and Sweden."

British Press On The War

European Diplomatic Activity Reviewed

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The following is a summary of part of the comments which appeared in the British press on Monday.

The "Times" remarks on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the West Indies, the chief recommendation being that the Government has stated it will refuse the old axiom that the Colonies are only retained as a source of profit for the government.

The proposals are well received on both the islands themselves and at home here. The British taxpayer will have to provide a substantial sum, the main portion of which will go to health, education and housing schemes.

Nazi Domination Plan

Several of the home papers comment on the diplomatic activity in Europe.

The German plan to dominate Europe is commented on by the "Manchester Guardian," which asks how this formidable German plan will be met. Europe must be shown that Britain's interest is neither selfish nor insincere. "She cannot distinguish between her freedom and that of Europe's."

The "Yorkshire Post" says that the first visible result of our diplomatic activity is apparent in the Bucharest announcement that the Rumanian Economic Mission will visit London early next month.

The new clearing agreement will be negotiated and probably vigorous attempts will be made to expand the whole of the British and Rumanian trade.

On the question of nerves, the "Daily Telegraph" comments that the British holiday-makers showed that Britain and France are ready with quiet confidence for whatever trouble which may come.

NEAR-MUTINY PRECEDED GRAF SPEE SCUTTling

FROM PAGE ONE

they prohibited all Allied ships from leaving the port.

During the afternoon of December 16, however, on the factor of arms, which the German High Command had not taken into account, the crew of the Graf Spee refused to take the ship to sea.

Between 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., the crew were mustered on deck at least eight times and harangued by one officer after another.

Crew Break Ranks

The final appeal was made by Captain Langsdorff himself.

During these mutters the crew broke ranks. They shouted and behaved in a disorderly manner verging on the mutinous.

Captain Langsdorff dismissed the men and came ashore at 8 p.m. to consult with the German Minister. Advice must have been given to Hitler about the scuttling of the ship was received about midnight.

Shortly afterwards, Captain Langsdorff returned aboard and all repair work was suspended.

Arrangements were made for a large to receive the crew after the ship was scuttled.

Provisions and other gear which had been taken on board were transferred to the Tacoma.

Boycotted By Nazi Colony

The Germans kept the crew's refusal to fight as quiet as possible until the Graf Spee was almost ready to go out.

The German colony, who had made much of the crew for the first two days, boycotted them when the news of their refusal to fight got around.

The statement concludes with the report that the crew's refusal to obey orders and insubordination are confirmed by observers aboard the merchant ship Lynton, and other vessels, which were moored close to the Graf Spee, including a tug lying alongside her.

These observers were witnesses of these occurrences aboard the Graf Spee.

WANG KEH-MIN SAYS LITTLE

Nanking Discussions Small In Scope

PEIPING, Mar. 27 (Reuters).—Wang Keh-min gave an interview to foreign correspondents on his return from Nanking.

Wang appeared to be in unusually good spirits as he was highly satisfied with his trip south. But for a person who has agreed to cancel the former independence status of his Peiping Provisional Government, he had strangely little to say regarding future arrangements.

No Changes In Personnel

According to his statement, only the date, place and organisation of the new Government were discussed in Nanking.

Replying to questions, he stated that there was not likely to be any change in the personnel of the northern administration, that foreign affairs would be handled by the Central Government, and that nothing was settled regarding the status of the new Chinese armies in North China.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Among those taking part in the raid on Sylt, the Air Ministry announced to-day, were 14 Canadians, seven Australians, seven New Zealanders and one South African.

PRESIDENT IN 1942-6?

U.S. Awaits Decision By Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, March 26 (UP).—Impetus has been given to the possibilities of a third term for President Roosevelt by Mr. Paul McNutt offering an Indiana delegation if the President decides to run.

Hitherto Mr. McNutt has confined himself to the statement that he would not run for the presidency if Mr. Roosevelt was also a candidate.

This new trend into the New Deal's camp will assure Mr. McNutt of either a Cabinet post or a vice-presidency if Mr. Roosevelt does run for a third term.

Meanwhile supporters of Vice-President Garner claim that he is assured of a strong showing against Mr. Roosevelt in the Wisconsin primary elections to be held two weeks hence.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg has indirectly challenged Mr. Thomas Dewey's fitness for the presidency, because of his youth.

"No factor will be more conclusive in November than the Republican Party's ability to write a clear and explicit platform and to find a seasoned leadership," Senator Vandenberg said.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1890.

Emperor William speaking at a public banquet in Berlin, affirmed that the principle of Divine Right made the welfare of the lower classes his chief care, and that he would heartily welcome all who aided him in his work, and would crush all who opposed him.

Signor Crispien, speaking in the Chamber to-day, said the position of Italy in Africa was unsatisfactory, and that the Italian Government would always proceed in that quarter in accord with Great Britain, both their interests being identical.

25 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1915.

The Press Bureau announces that, at dawn yesterday, patrols discovered a party of the enemy near El Kubi, opposite Suze, and shot were exchanged.

10 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1930.

The Rev. Dr. Lyttell, former headmaster of Eton and Halesbury, was today benighted down by a motor car in London and was taken to hospital.

Dr. Lyttell, who is 74 years old, is the seventh son of the fourth Lord Lyttell. He received his education at Eton.

The joint efforts of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. H. L. Simson to inspire the London Naval Conference with a sense of confidence in the meeting with a measure of success. The atmosphere to-day seems to be a distinct improvement.

The new German liner Europa has beaten her sister ship the Bremen's transatlantic record. Her time for crossing to New York was 4 days, 17 hours, 6 minutes. She has thus duplicated the Bremen's achievement in winning the blue ribbon on her maiden voyage.

5 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1935.

It is believed possible that Germany may ask for the return of Memel. It is pointed out that the other powers may offer a plebiscite on the Memel question, a return for Hitler's concession regarding the security of Europe and rearmament.

It is learned that Italy's plan of mobilisation includes the massing of nine full regiments of the crack Alpine troops near the Austrian frontier. There is no reason given for this move, and the only excuse for it, according to observers, is the unsettled condition of affairs in Europe.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day, said Germany had no right to denounce the Versailles Treaty. He said the Treaty did not provide for unilateral denunciation.

M. Joseph Avenol, Secretary General of the League of Nations, to-day issued a statement to the effect that Japanese morning papers regretting the departure from the League of one of the original member nations.

Senator Borah, interviewed to-day, declared that "Germany will submit. The Versailles Treaty will be scrapped and there will be no war in Europe over the present impasse, he maintained."

During the course of 1935, three newly built express steamers will be seen under the Norddeutscher Lloyd's flag in the East Asiatic ports. They are the steamers Schanensee, Folsdam and Gneisenau.

CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

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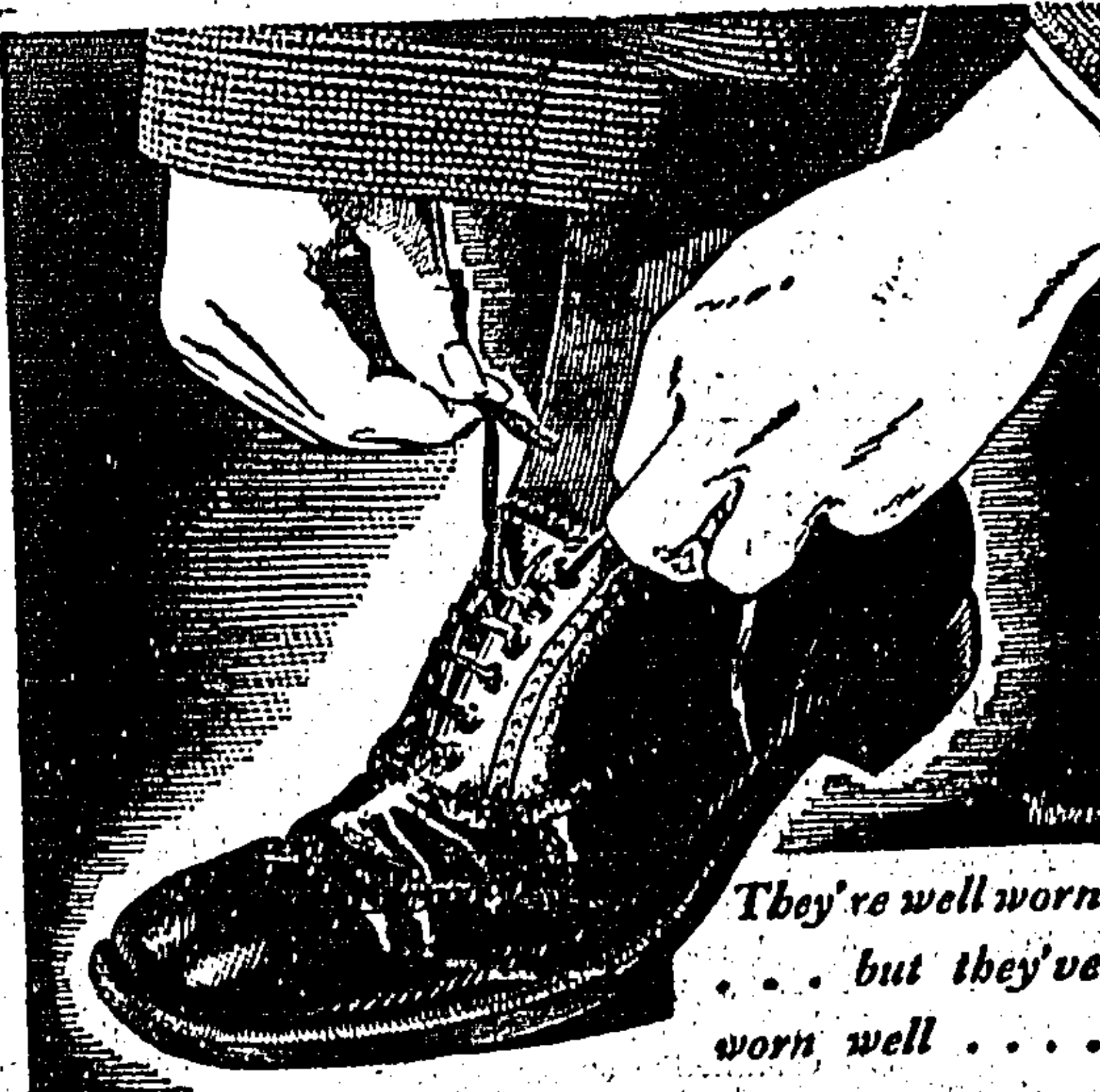
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Around The Courses

SARAZEN — THE OUTSTANDING PLAYER OF PAST DECADE

His Brilliant Career Began in 1922

S. V. Gittins Wins Country Club Captain's Cup

(By "Birdie")

REVIEWING THE PAST DECADE of golf, an American sports authority has given to Gene Sarazen the position of honour for the 'Thirties as Bobby Jones had for the 'Twenties—the outstanding golfer of the decade, though accurately speaking the latter player's finest effort, that of winning the British and American Open and Amateur Championships, was in 1930.

Sarazen can claim no record as brilliant as that, but his successes over the years since he first began storming championship heights is one that allows every justification for the (unofficial) honour that has been bestowed upon him. His best years, perhaps, were 1931-32-33. He established a record in the British Open in 1932 with a winning score of 283, though this figure has twice been equalled since; in 1934 by Henry Cotton, and in 1935 by Percy Alliss, both of whom were winners.

Sarazen, his first name is Eugene, was born at Harrison, New York in 1902, and began his golf career as a caddy at the age of eight. His first professional appointment was in 1921, and his first essay at the American Open was in 1920, when he qualified third, but finished 30th in the competition proper. He came back strongly the next year—at the age of 20—and won the U.S. Open. In the same year he won the U.S. Professional tournament.

His successes are best seen in tabulation:

AMERICAN OPEN
1922 and 1932.—winner, with scores of 288 and 286 respectively. He was runner-up in 1934 (there being one stroke difference).

U.S. PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
1922-23-33.—winner. Runner-up in 1930.

BRITISH OPEN
1932.—winner with record score of 283. He was second in 1929, third in 1931 (tied with Percy Alliss with

288), third in 1933 (one stroke behind the winner), and fourth in 1936.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

1936.—winner with 282.

U.S.A. v. G.T. BRITAIN (PROFESSIONAL)

He represented the United States Professionals against Great Britain in 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935 and 1937.

OTHER SUCCESSES

Metropolitan Championship, winner in 1925.
North of England Professional Champion in 1923.
Miami Florida Open winner four times in succession.
Western Open champion.
Miami Beach Florida Open champion three times.
Southern Open champion twice.
West Coast Florida Open champion.
Metropolitan P.G.A. Tournament winner.

He has been the only man to have ever won the three largest money prize tournaments in America. These were the Miami Billmore Professional Tournament, the Agua Caliente Mexico Tournament, and the La Gorce Tournament. This great man passed through the Colony a year or so ago, and it was regrettable then as now that he was unable to play. There was, I believe, some trouble over the financial arrangements. When he was here I met him on board the ship, and a more pleasant fellow to talk to could hardly be met. He has a genial but determined face, as can be seen from the picture elsewhere on this page. He is comparatively short in stature, but has a pair of the most powerful hands and arms I have ever seen.

HAVING conferred honour on Sarazen, listen to the honour that has been done Bing Crosby, the crooning film star. The Professional Golfers Association of America have recently awarded him a life membership—a distinction that is seldom an amateur's. The award was in recognition of the singer-sportsman's interest in sport and the professionals who earn a living in it.

THE Junior Champion of the Country Club, Shungshu—S. V. Gittins, has now won the Captain's Cup competition, having beaten M. F. de Pina 3 and 1 in the final on Sunday last. Gittins was two down at the end of the first nine (the match was only 18 holes). Following his win in the Junior competition, Gittins' handicap dropped to 14. It looks as though it is going yet lower.

The Easter Cup competition at the same Club was a dismal failure. It is a competition of 72 holes medal play—playable on any day during the Easter holidays. This year, due to the bad weather, there were only five entries—and two of them were women. On the last day of the holidays, when it was obvious that there were not going to be any more entries, it was also obvious that the competition could not be called such, and the few who had entered did not bother their heads any further about cards.

Cottage Club "Treasure Hunt"

The Mounted Treasure Hunt organised by the Cottage Club, Fanling, which was postponed, from last Saturday due to inclement weather, will be held from the Clubhouse at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 30.



Genial Gene Sarazen, who has been rated in America as the outstanding golfer of the Thirties. This picture was taken in 1932 when he won the British Open Trophy (in his hands)—his smile is that of a record breaker (his score was 283).

Badminton

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES DISAPPOINT

W. Gillies Enters Final Of Junior Singles

(By "Tinker")

MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championship at King's College last night were disappointing, and not up to the standard that was expected. Two matches in the second round of the Doubles Competition were completed, and in the only singles game of the evening, W. Gillies beat P. Wynter-Blyth 15-11, 15-4 to enter the final of the Junior Championship.

The Doubles scores were:

P. H. Wong and C. Au beat C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin 15-8, 15-5.
K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew beat F. Koh and C. Y. Yung 18-14, 15-7.

To out-smash the other fellow seemed to be the order of the matches. In the first, Yong and Chew v. Koh and Yung, the game was not won by as wide a margin as anticipated. Yong was definitely "off", but Chew, fortunately for the University pair, was his usual self, and did more than his share in winning points. Koh was the better of the losing pair. Yung, though on occasions he brought off some nice drop shots, was inclined to poach with disastrous results.

SECOND DOUBLES

WONG and AU, the favourites for the doubles title, could hardly be

Hongkong And Macao Ponies Classified

The following is the latest classification of Ponies as issued by the Macao Jockey Club on March 26:

Class Subscription China Ponies: Country Flower, Courcour Dieu, Fairy Auk, Fairy Queen, Gold Clause, Hogenany, Hohenfels, Meadow, Eve, Merry Fairy, Merry Maker, Morning Tip, Nohesay Bay, Shingai & Victory Life, Wood Nymph.

Class China Ponies: Cloudy Star, Double Up, Eagle, Iron Knight, National Triumph, High Jockey.

HONGKONG LISTS

The Hongkong Jockey Club have made the following alterations and additions to classification lists:

Australian Ponies—Bruno, Many Thanks, Springbure to B Class.

Australian Prince, Redon, Centre Court, Fair Chance, Forehand Drive, Franklin, Prince Bridge, Rowan, Snowy River, to C Class.

Heinz, Nancy Lee, Piccadilly Jim, to D Class.

China Ponies—Dumont Bay, O-Lan, to A Class.

Grey River, Oonah to B Class.

Blue Field, Blue Halo, Emergency Unit, Musketeer, Oak Day, Oldway, Rose Perfect, to C Class.

Valorous to D Class.

to have been extended fully by the University pair, Cheah and Chin. Wong was surprisingly inaccurate at times with his returns, but on other occasions brought forth applause with excellent placed cross-court drops. Cheah was the weaker of the opposing pair. He was successful in some of his smashes, but on the whole his returns from backhand were weak, and offered the simplest of "kills" at the net. Chin played well but could not hope to beat such a strong pair as his opponents without considerable more assistance.

HARD-HITTING SINGLES

GILLIES accounted for Blyth in a hard-hitting game. The latter jumped into a 7-1 lead in the first game before Gillies settled down, but thereafter he was forced into numerous errors.

Next Week's Programme

The following semi-final matches have been arranged in the Colony badminton championships:

WEDNESDAY

At the Kowloon Cricket Club on Wednesday, April 3, the men's doubles semi-finals will be played. The first match, starting at 8 p.m., will be between K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew and M. A. Oliveira and M. A. Silva.

This will be followed by the match between H. Eardley and N. Smith and C. Au and P. H. Wong.

THURSDAY

On Thursday, April 4, at the Club de Recreio, the men's singles semi-finals will be played.

First match at 8 p.m., will be between K. L. Yong and P. H. Wong, followed by the match between C. Au and H. Eardley.

If the programme is completed according to schedule, all of the semi-finals in the championship events will have been played by April 10, and arrangements will accordingly be made to stage the finals before the end of the month.

LINCOLNSHIRE AND NATIONAL CALLS-OVER

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following are the latest calls-over for the Lincolnshire and the Grand National:

LINCOLNSHIRE

7/1 Titan (o. 8/1 taken).
9/1 Quartier Maitre (t. and o.)
9/1 Womersley (o)
100/9 Time Step (o)
100/7 Aldine (o)
100/7 Ticegar (o)
100/6 Golden Sovereign (o)
14/1 Booms-a-daisy (o)

GRAND NATIONAL

9/1 The Professor (o. 10/1 taken)
100/9 Kilstar (t. and o.)
100/8 Mismoffat (t. and o.)
25/1 Inversible (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Underbid (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Venturesome Knight (o. 33/1 t.)

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following were the results of Home football matches played to-day:

MIDLAND

Birmingham 5 Luton 4
Northampton 2 Coventry 0
West Brom. 5 Leicester 1

EAST-MIDLAND

Notts F. 4 Sheffield U. 1
Rotherham 3 Doncaster 1

NORTH-EASTERN

Bradford C. 3 Newcastle 1
Darlington 2 Halifax 1

OTHER MATCHES

Huddersfield 2 Burnley 1
Barnsley 3 Grimsby 0

Rugby Games

The following were the results of Rugby Union matches:
Bridgend 11 Swansea 14
Newport 12 Weston-super-Mare 0

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE

Bramley 6 Hull 32
Huddersfield 10 Featherstone 6
Leeds 4 Castleford 10

Cricket

R. ENGINEERS BEATEN BY 170 RUNS

Comb'd. Small Units Win Large Units Final

SURPASSING the Royal Engineers in batting and bowling, Combined Small Units won the Cup of the Large Units (Army) Cricket Competition at Sookunpoo yesterday when they scored 253 runs to the Engineers' 83 in the final game.

Bowling for the winners, Young captured seven wickets for seven runs in six overs, which included two maidens. Mount took two for 15 runs. Fielding was also of a high standard and some brilliant catches were made.

HIGH SCORERS

Highest scorer for Combined Small Units was Webb, who was run out at 85. Logan contributed 40 and Emberson 37.

Shipp and Wilkinson scored 21 and 20 respectively for the Royal Engineers. Bowling 10 overs each McGon obtained four wickets for 34 runs and Denyer took three for 48. At the conclusion of the game, Brigadier T. McLeod presented the Cup, and congratulated the winners. The detailed scores were:

COMBINED SMALL UNITS			
Gardner, lb.w. McGon	11		
Logan, c Shipp & Parsons	40		
Murphy & Denyer	37		
Webb, run out	85		
Lawrence, lb.w. Denyer	1		
Harvey, run out	23		
Denyer, c Webb & McGon	10		
Blount, b Denyer	5		
Emberson, c Bailey & McGon	37		
Bocock, c Webb & McGon	9		
Young, not out	20		
Extras	253		

Bowling Analysis			
Match	O.	M.	R.
Harvey	13	2	42
McGon	10	1	34
Parsons	9	1	50
Denyer	10	3	48
Shipp	4	0	21

ROYAL ENGINEERS			
Freeman, lb.w. Young	20		
Shipp, c Webb & Young	21		
Denyer, c Webb & McGon	48		
Grose & Murphy & Young	1		
Shaw, b Young	1		
Denyer, c Webb & McGon	10		
Blount, lb.w. Blount	5		
Parsons, not out	37		
McGon, b Young	9		

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First Round Matches For Adamson Cup

Semi-Final Results Of Fanling Mixed Foursomes

The following were the results in the first round of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Adamson Cup Competition held at Happy Valley:

S. T. Butlin (12) received a bye into second round; G. W. Williamson (12) received a walk-over v. Edgar; F. Buckle (12) beat T. J. Price (9) four and three; G. W. Hovey (13) beat A. J. MacFadyen (10) at the 19th; Hugh Smith (9) received a walk-over from D. Humphreys (7); G. Davies (10) received a walk-over from J. Forbes (9); D. S. Edward (9) beat E. Tuck (14) six and five; W. W. C. Shewan (7) received a bye into second round.

Mixed Foursomes

The semi-finals of the Mixed Foursomes competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for L. A. R. and Mrs. Duncan over L. Cdr. and Mrs. Linton by five and four, and for E. J. R. and Mrs. Mitchell over Major and Mrs. Williams by one up.

Parsons, b Young	0		
Extras	0		

Colony Tennis

H. D. RUMJAHN AND O. UMETANI IN QUARTER-FINALS

O. UMETANI, former ranking Japanese hardcourt tennis player, advanced into the quarter-finals of the Colony Open Singles tennis championship yesterday when he beat J. S. Theobald 6-4, 6-1. H. D. Rumjahn was the other singles player to enter the same round yesterday, when he overcame Marsland Ma 6-1, 6-1.

In the remaining singles game, Leung Ping-chiu beat J. B. Gonçalves 6-1, 6-1.

Umetani and H. D. Rumjahn meet to-day, and one of the best games of the tournament is anticipated.

Theobald was hard-hitting, and though mastered by a superior opponent, gave an entertaining exhibition to the spectators. He succeeded in taking the second, fifth and sixth games of the first set, but in the second set, Umetani was considerably more confident, and took five games in a row before winning the match in the seventh.

Rumjahn had little difficulty in disposing of Marsland Ma, but in doing so showed up as strong and as accurate as of old.

To-day's Programme

OPEN SINGLES
H. D. Rumjahn v. O. Umetani
S. A. Rumjahn v. J. W. Leonard
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
T. C. Monaghan v. B. C. Fay

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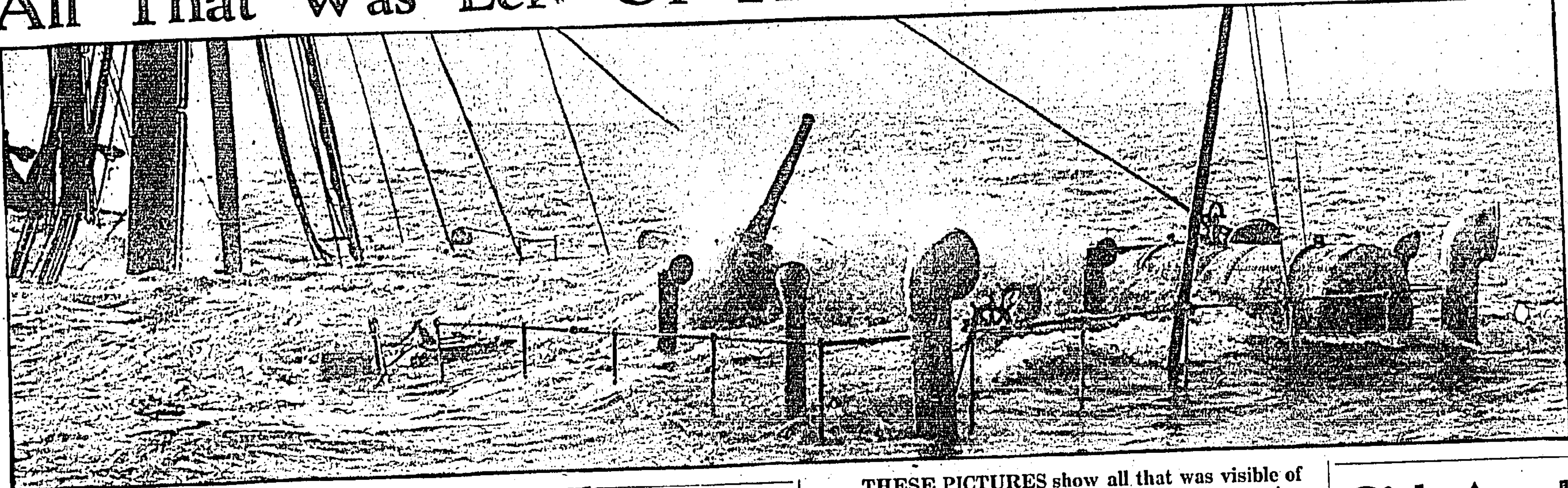
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The Man Who Thought He Had Lost Everything Leaves £129,000 30,960,000 Pennies From Slot Machines

WEALTH came to Oliver Dalton, owner of Brighton's Palace Pier, from pennies that went into slot machines. He died, leaving a fortune of £129,000—over thirty million pennies.

Yet, when he turned on the gas tap and died in the kitchen of his luxurious home last October, he thought he was a ruined man. For a few days previously he had told a friend: "I am broke. I haven't a penny in the world. All they can take is my furniture."

Ollie, as he was popularly known from Brighton to Atlantic City and back to Dieppe, was one of Brighton's three wealthiest public men. But for a year before his death at 60 his health had been failing and he had two nervous breakdowns.

There's a Boom In Tattooing

THE war has brought prosperity to tattooists.

Initials of wife or sweetheart or mother enclosed in a heart used to be the usual formula, but this has now given place to a series of more intricate designs.

Soldiers have the initials intertwined with the badge of their regiment; sailors prefer an anchor as the frame for their initials; while airmen have them set between wings.

"But it isn't only love-tokens that we are doing now," said Mr. G. Burchett, who has been tattooing for 30 years. "It is identification marks of one sort or another."

"Young men just called up want to be identified on their own skins. You'd be surprised at the things I have done."

"I've only just finished tattooing the number of a man's blood-group on his arm: he's a registered blood donor. And I've two sailors waiting now: one of them wants a half-crown job—but the other wants the crucifixion reproduced on his chest."

"Many foreigners ask me to tattoo names that I never heard of before, and words I don't know the meaning of. Others want what I should call unsuitable things tattooed: 'To Hell with Hitler' and 'I hate Germany' and things like that."

"We try to persuade them not to have them done, but if they insist, well, the customer is always right!"

The war, which brought the season on the Palace Pier to an abrupt end and compelled him to dismiss old servants, preyed on his mind.

Some of these servants he has remembered in his £129,000 will published recently.

Sold Papers at 10

At ten years of age this slot machine king sold newspapers in the streets of Brighton.

"After my paper-selling days," he once told a reporter, "I scraped and saved and became interested in bathing machines on Brighton beach. Then, with the money I made, I bought a few automatic machines and put them on the pier."

He made frequent trips to Atlantic City and brought back novel attractions and new machines for the pier, which was his great interest in life. He was one of the first to introduce fruit machines in Brighton.

And the man who made his fortune from the slot machine pennies of the public was always willing to help those in need.

METALLURGY PRIZE

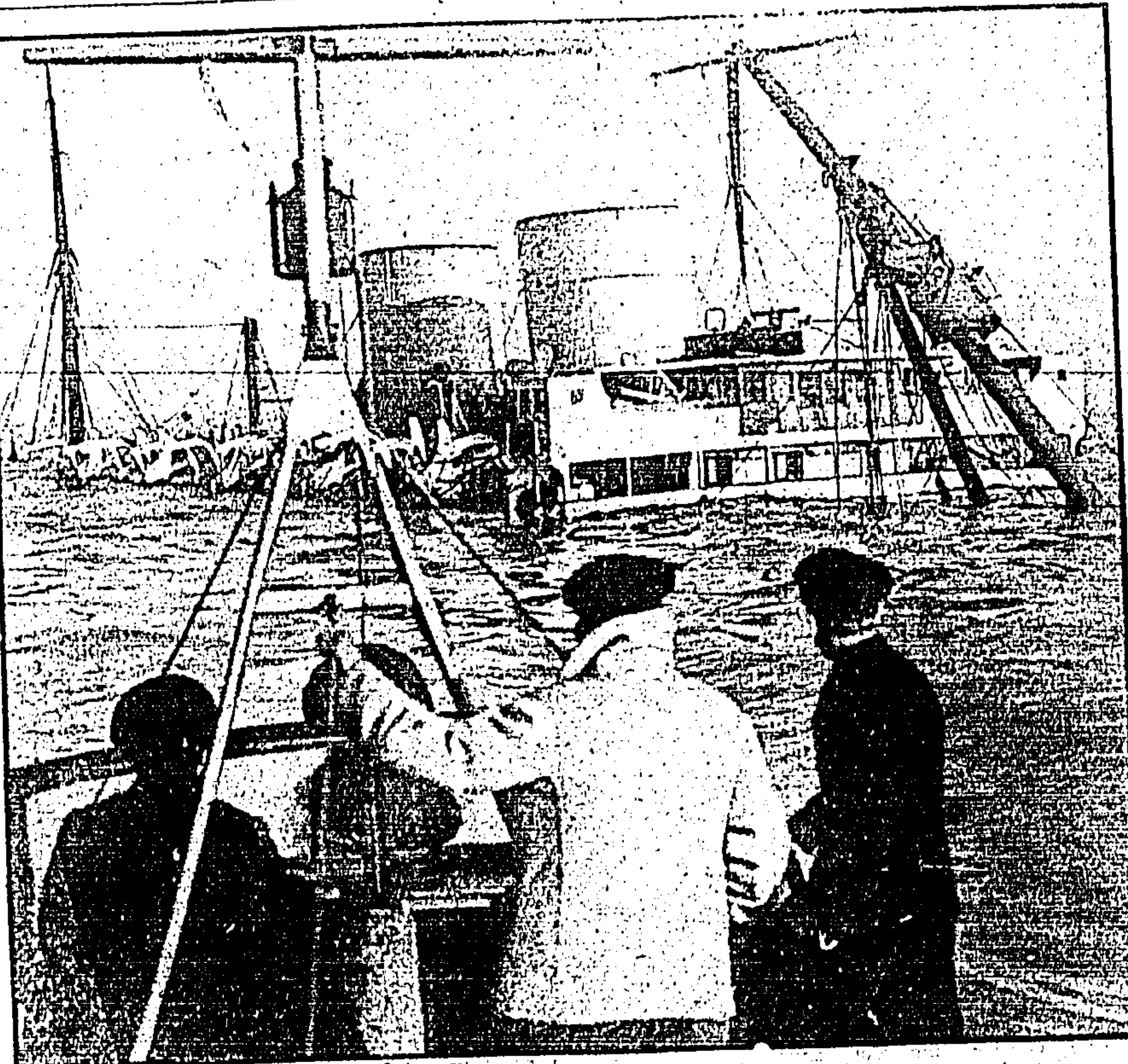
Tokyo, Mar. 26.

Sir Harold Carpenter, well-known British metallurgist and Professor of Metallurgy at the Royal School of Mines, has been chosen as the winner of the "Honda Prize" by the Japan Metallurgy Society.

Candidates for the prize have been recommended by Japan, Sweden, the United States, Germany and Britain. Sir Harold will be the first foreigner to receive the prize which consists of a gold cup and Yen 3,000.—Domei.

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WHEELED TO BATHS THEN WON A CERTIFICATE

AS President Roosevelt conquered infantile paralysis, so Valerie Hoopes, eight-year-old English girl, has saved herself from being a cripple for life—by will-power and swimming.

Valerie said: "I am going to write to Mr. Roosevelt to tell him about my cure."

Two years ago one of Valerie's legs was so twisted that the heel was where the toes should have been. She was put under the care of Mr. John Bastow, surgeon of the Bath Orthopaedic Hospital.

Valerie never lost her smile as she was wheeled about in an invalid chair.

Then one day last summer, as she was being wheeled past Trowbridge's new £10,000 swimming pool, she turned to her mother and said: "Please, mummy, may I have a swim?"

Mrs. Hoopes, astonished by the request,

involuntarily replied: "No, dear, of course not."

But Valerie begged so hard that the matter was put to doctors, who decided to let Valerie have her way.

The plaster was cut off, and Valerie was wheeled to the baths. Mr. Ettles, the instructor, took great trouble with this little crippled girl, and was amazed at the ease with which she learned to swim. AND GRADUALLY THE TWISTED LEG WAS SEEN TO BE REGAINING A NORMAL POSITION.

Doctors and Valerie's parents were further astonished when they saw the child swim fifty yards to win a certificate.

But there was better news last week. Valerie was to have undergone a big operation; but so successful has been the swimming cure that she can now walk normally; and it has been decided that the operation will never be necessary.

Girl Aged 15 Wrote To Mr. B.

A FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD girl was charged at the Tunbridge Wells Juvenile Court recently with demanding £2 with menaces from a man described as "Mr. B."

The prosecuting solicitor, Mr. J. Hillier, stated that "Mr. B." received a letter from the girl in which she said: "Does your wife know how you carry on with young girls? Does she know why you take the car out of an evening or why you visit Groombridge?"

"Maybe she would like to know more about her affectionate and loving husband."

"If you care to keep this a secret so will I, if you place £2 in an envelope and leave it on a seat facing the Spa Hotel on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, January 10."

Girl Took Letter

"I advise you to do as I ask and keep quiet about it. Otherwise I will not hold my tongue."

This was signed, "from one who knows and sees more than you imagine."

Mr. Hillier added that the letter was taken to the police station, and Mr. B., acting on police instructions, placed a letter on the seat indicated, which was taken by the girl. Another letter on the following day was also placed on the seat and taken by the girl.

Detective-Sergeant Siggers said that when the girl was arrested she said: "I suppose Mr. B. will be glad to bring this up in court," and later she said: "I don't want it for myself, but for someone else whose name I won't reveal."

A Good Girl

The Chief Constable said the girl came from a very respectable family who could not understand her actions. The father gave his daughter an excellent character, saying that she was a good girl in every way.

Miss Hinton, the Probation Officer, said that when she saw the girl she said she frequently had chats with Mr. B. but had not been out with him. What she had done had been to frighten him for the sake of other girls.

The girl was placed on probation for two years, the chairman, Mr. H. Elwig, remarking that it was a terrible charge against a girl so young.

AUXILIARY NURSES

Home Nursing lectures for members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service will commence on April 3, 5.30 p.m., at the Royal Naval Hospital. First Aid lectures are being held at the Helena May Institute on Friday afternoons, at 5.30 p.m.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

A Daily Feature For Naval Reservists

NEWS HAS just been received in Hongkong of a severe cyclone which swept North Queensland last month, causing heavy damage to several towns.

Townsville was the chief sufferer. Although the damage done to private property in the city was not comparable with the havoc wrought by the Leontia cyclone of 1902, and no loss of life resulted, the city spent an anxious and terrifying night.

The most extensive damage at Townsville occurred on the seafloor, where the three open sea baths were destroyed and Anzac Memorial Park was so badly overrun by angry seas that it was reduced to a shambles. The new sea wall was washed away, high floodwaters in Ross River, backed up by the gale-driven tides, caused the river to break its banks in several places with the result that Hermit Park and the low sections of Railway Estate were isolated from the city by flood waters. Several families were forced to safety.

The more exposed sections of Stanton and Melton Hills, Townsville's residential areas, were subjected to a severe buffeting. The Sea View Private Hospital was one of the chief local sufferers. Magnetic Island and Palm Island were severely buffeted.

Reports from other parts of the affected area: INGHAM: Received full force of the blow and scarcely a householder escaped damage to his property. Nooria Hotel badly battered. Trebonne Hotel totally destroyed. Hospital patients had to be transferred to safety.

CARDWELL: A few cases of de-roofing.

HABINDA: Anxious night, but no damage.

TULLY: Lawson's sawmill, badly damaged. Electric light system cut off. Camp damaged.

INNISILL: No serious damage.

PHILLIPS: Pudding, aged 4, sustained fractured arm.

CAIRNS: Very slight damage, but rail service to Gulf country suspended by floods.

MACRAE: Electric light system suspended and water supply limited to four hours daily owing to breakdown of pumping system. Burdakin overflooded (as banks at several points, Macrae had ten inches of rain in 48 hours).

ROSEBURY: Sewer well damaged, and old R.A.A.F. shed unroofed, otherwise little damage.

AXIT: Damage totalling £5,000, mostly to young cane. Torrential rain.

HOME HILL: Burdakin floods caused evacuation of people from low-lying areas.

CLOUDY CLEARING: Completely wrecked. Miners in distressful plight.

V.R.C. DOUBLE

MELBOURNE.—Chatsbury and Rivette are favourites for the V.R.C. Autumn double, the Newmarket and Australian Cup. For Chatsbury, a couple of points firmer than Manrico, who lost many friends after his poor showing in the Oakleigh Plate. Rivette is a couple of points firmer than Manrico, who lost many friends after his poor showing in the Oakleigh Plate. Rivette is a couple of points firmer than Manrico, who lost many friends after his poor showing in the Oakleigh Plate.

Uncertainty about Unishak's Newmarket weight penalty for his Oakleigh Plate success will be a factor in the selection for the Cup, for which Actor has eased.

The latest order is:—

NEWMARKET HANDICAP

Chatsbury.

Manrico.

Pure Gold and Trimmer.

Pamelus and Unishak.

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BAN ON IMPORTS

MELBOURNE.—Under the headline, "Crippling France," the Melbourne Herald attacks the Commonwealth Government's policy of restricting imports.

The newspaper says: "The prohibition of imports was imposed with the express objective of reducing the balance of payments."

"The list of restrictions includes French goods valued at nearly half our total imports from France."

"Since France is a sterling country, the prohibition cannot help to preserve the dollar pool."

"Instead of realising that anything which strengthens France strengthens ourselves, the Government have gone out of their way to take action weakening France's economic position—giving her less credit, less purchase power, less wherewithal to help Britain win the Empire's war."

NINE DAYS LOST IN FLOOD

Search parties of aboriginal trackers found Henry Cameron, a forty-seven-year-old Scotsman, who had been wandering in the scrub-country of Australia's Northern Territory for nine days.

Cameron, returning home from a hunting trip, was overtaken by a flood which flooded the country, obliterating roads and tracks.

"I wandered until I found a telegraph line, which I cut with a rifle shot, hoping that the repair gang would find it."

When the line-men arrived they found Cameron's track, but lost it in the flood waters.

Cameron was delirious with exhaustion when found. In the nine days he had eaten only a small bird, which he trapped.

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Continued To Defame Her Husband

WIFE JAILED FOR CONTEMPT (Her Second)

A WIFE who wrote defamatory letters to her husband, his solicitor, relatives and friends, was sent to jail for a second time by Mr. Justice Simonds in the Chancery Division.

She is Mrs. Emily Charlotte McMahon Brandon, of Woodford Bridge, Essex.

Mrs. Brandon was first sent to jail on the Judge's order last May on a motion brought by her husband, Mr. Albert John Brandon, of Tudor Lodge, Marlow, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

He alleged she had disobeyed an order of the court not to molest him.

Before being released Mrs. Brandon had expressed regret for failing to observe the injunction.

It was stated that within three months of her release, she resumed the writing of defamatory letters and postcards.

Gross Contempt

Her husband had described them as being of a highly scandalous nature, making untrue accusations.

He said she had made threats against his safety and welfare.

Mrs. Brandon, asked by the Judge to explain her conduct, made a long statement repeating allegations against her husband.

Making the order for her committal Mr. Justice Simonds said she had been guilty of the grossest contempt of court.

It was in her own interest that she should be committed to prison, where she would be subject to medical supervision.

They are being "fried"—given sun-ray treatment—at their depot to make up for the lack of real sun.

The new treatment is not part of the normal Navy routine, but it is being given in recognition of the great work the submarines are doing in the Heligoland Bight.

They deserve it because this is the sort of thing they have to put up with.

The crew of one submarine which recently returned from patrol had seen hardly any daylight for seven weeks.

All day long the ship remained below the surface or just at periscope depth. It surfaced for battery recharging only at night.

It was a discussion among some of the men themselves about their need of more sunlight if they were to keep fit for their dangerous job, that led to the offer to provide them with a sun-ray outfit.

Now every day the men go for a spell of "frying" under artificial sunlight.

So popular has it become that all the men attached to the station have asked permission for daily treatment.

An officer explained it was common knowledge in Naval circles that submarine work had resulted in difficulties in the health of the men serving.

He added: "At first the men were inclined to be more amused than anything else, about the sun-ray treatment, but now we cannot keep them away."

"Some of them are as brown as berries—you would think they had been on a world cruise. This 'frying' has certainly caught on."

S'hai Rugger Player Killed In North Sea

SHANGHAI, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—News has just been received in Shanghai that R.F. "Peter" Blix, a Norwegian subject and formerly of Reuter's Far Eastern Staff, was killed recently as the result of the torpedoing of a Norwegian ship in which he was serving in European waters. Full details of the incident have not yet been received.

Peter Blix was well-known in Far Eastern sporting circles, having represented Shanghai at Rugby against Hongkong in the 1934-35 match, which Shanghai won by 17 points to 11. Blix was Shanghai's scrum-half on that occasion and in the following year travelled down to Hongkong for his second Interport.

Hongkong F.C. Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner of the Hongkong Football Club will be held in the Roof Garden, the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, March 30, at 7.30 p.m.

LATE NEWS

SWEDEN WATCHES RUSSIANS



SWEDEN also has her crack ski troops, who are concentrated on the Northern frontiers, ever watchful of Red moves in Finland.—Domei.



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STRAWBERRY-RED sports with a broad check stripe are the textile industry's answer to the threat of the standard suit.

Cloth for the jackets—almost as vivid in colour as the hues of blazers—was shown to trade buyers in Bradford recently when war fashions for this year were displayed.

The exhibition, the first of its kind to be held in the provinces, showed the "colour co-ordination" of men's wear sponsored by the British Colour Council. All sections of the clothing industry are represented.

Braces To Match

The two really fashionable colours for 1940 will be smoke-blue and grey-green, says the Council. These are light shades and will enable important economies to be made in the use of essential chemicals now diverted to the war effort.

Besides these two main colours, there will be rich browns and dark blues—and each item in a man's outfit can be obtained to match.

Braces, suspenders, gloves, hats, ties, socks, shoes and even walking-sticks can be bought in the same colours as the suit or in a shade to tone.

Looking Abroad

But for the natty grey-green suit-
ing, braces of brown and pale blue
stripes are recommended.

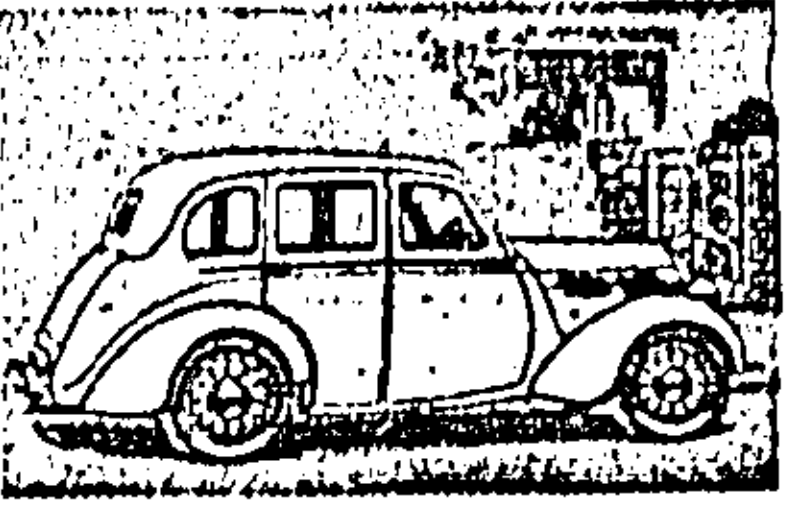
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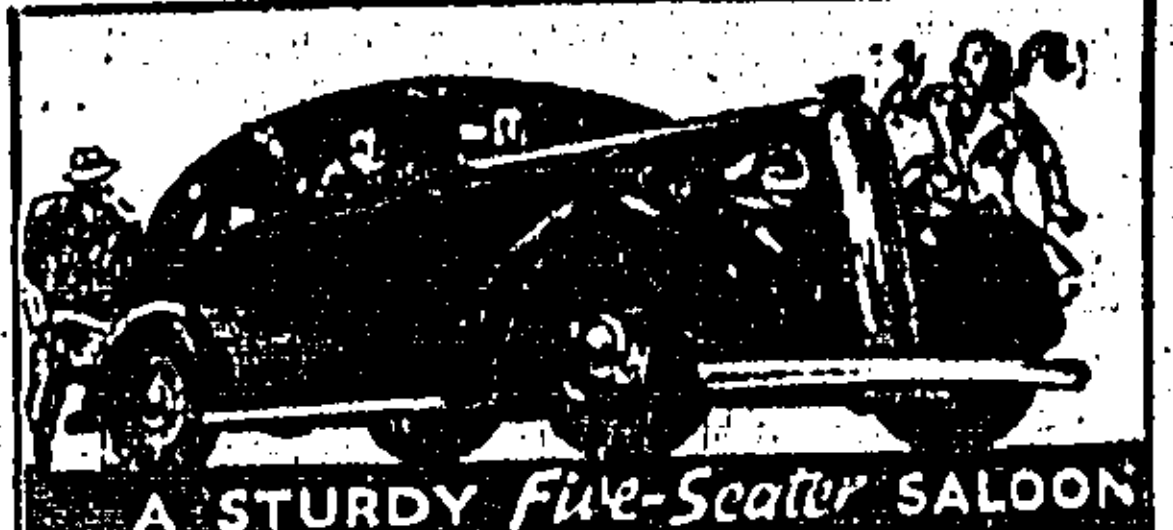
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CAPTAIN'S STORY OF TWO ATTACKS

ACTRESS TRAPS SPIES

British Girl Does Drunk Act

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—Miss Bacon, the well-known music hall star who has just returned from a 15 weeks' entertainment tour of the Western Front, revealed to-day that she had been responsible for the arrest of two German spies during her tour.

She trapped the Nazi agents by pretending to be drunk! Miss Bacon, who is now 43 years old, has been well-known on the London stage since 1915. "I had been warned by the authorities to watch out for a red-headed man, posing as a Belgian, who was suspected to be a German spy," she said.

"The authorities told me that there had been a number of leakages, and I was warned not to discuss where I had been playing or the number of troops stationed at any point.

"One night, I returned from singing to the troops to the place where I was staying. "My voice was husky and I was shivering with the cold. "I'm frozen," I exclaimed. "Only a glass of hot grog will save my life."

"A bearded man immediately volunteered to get me a glass. "He walked into the kitchen, where I was able to watch him through the mirror.

"I saw everything he did. He certainly meant that grog to knock the senses out of me, because he put into it everything he could lay his hands on, from absinthe to brandy.

"Then he lit the steaming liquor, saying it was the best thing to do when one wanted to check a chill. "I pretended to drink the grog, but slipped half of it into the glass of my solo violinist, Arthur Anton.

"Then I put on one of the greatest drunken woman shows of my career. "I slurred and hiccupped like a slut.

"It worked. A second man joined us and they both began to question me regarding the troops.

"I raised my finger and leaned forward confidentially when one of the men asked me where I was playing next. I said, 'I'll tell you—here!—I'll tell you—here!—in Birmingham!'

"I acted like this with all the questions they asked me until the two spies were absolutely infuriated.

The Last Straw

"The last straw was when I splashed the remainder of the grog all over 'red-head's' clothes. "He became infuriated, and they both left hurriedly. "I informed the authorities as soon as the two men had left and they were arrested next day. "The bearded German, it was subsequently discovered, was a German officer in the Great War.

WILL RECOGNISE WANG CHING-WEI

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Mar. 26 (Domei).—Informed Italian quarters claim that General Franco has decided to recognise the Wang-Ching-wei regime. It is stated that Spain and Italy will simultaneously announce recognition next week, and that Germany has not yet decided on her attitude.

SUDETEN NAZIS DESERT

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Two Sudeten German soldiers who deserted into the Netherlands have told the villagers that many more Germans would desert if it were not for the severe penalties and the close watch kept on them.

Ark Royal Back After Patrol That Lasted For Five Months

LONDON, MAR. 26 (REUTER).—THE ARK ROYAL, BRITAIN'S NEWEST AIRCRAFT CARRIER, WHICH THE GERMANS CLAIMED LAST YEAR TO HAVE BOMBED AND SUNK, HAS NOW RETURNED HOME AFTER A FIVE MONTHS CRUISE ON WAR SERVICE.

During that time, it is estimated that the Ark Royal with her aircraft reconnoitred 5,000,000 square miles of ocean.

She played her part in the interception of three valuable German merchant ships.

Her aircraft have attacked several U-boats, while others have been frightened into crash dives with unknown results.

TORPEDOES MISSED HER

On the other hand the Ark Royal has been missed by two torpedoes fired from a U-boat which was quickly sunk by her destroyer escort. A thousand pound bomb, dropped from an attacking Heinkel, crashed harmlessly into the sea 15 feet away from the bow of the Ark Royal. The only damage sustained by the ship was a few pieces of broken crockery.

The Ark Royal returned home to replenish her stores and to give her crew of sailors and airmen a well-deserved leave while she prepared for her next task.

Interview With Captain

Captain A. J. Power, who has been in command of the Ark Royal since she was first commissioned nearly two years ago, told "Reuter" that the torpedo attack was made last October about the same time as the Courageous was lost. The torpedoes passed astern of the ship missing it by between 200 and 300 yards.

After the U-boat had been attacked by the escorting destroyers some of her crew were saved. Describing the air attack on the Ark Royal, Captain Power said that one German was more daring than the others. He made a power dive on them.

"He started from about 14,000 feet and pulled out at perhaps 1,000 feet," said Captain Power.

If It Had Hit
"I saw a bomb leave the plane. It was the biggest one I have ever seen. I saw it falling and from the bridge my impression was that it was not going to hit us. It landed in the sea about 15 feet from the side of the ship. If it had hit us it would have sunk us," he said.

Captain Power denied a report that the Ark Royal had been across the Atlantic to Rio de Janeiro and also to Cape Town. He said that the ship had been in the search for the Graf Spee but when she was located by H.M.S. Exeter and Achilles the Ark Royal was a thousand miles away.

A hundred flights were made from the decks of the Ark Royal and Captain Power never lost an aircraft through not finding its way back.

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To-day's communique says that there was local activity of our reconnaissance units.

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Vacation For The Governor

Flying Home On Two Months' Leave

When he flies by Imperial Airways to England on May 12, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote is expected to spend about two months on leave. His trip is understood not to have any political significance, but is purely in the nature of a vacation. He will not be accompanied by Lady Northcote. Since he came to Hongkong in October, 1937, the Governor has had a particularly trying term of office. Lady Northcote flew to England by Imperial Airways in January, 1938, during the illness of her mother. During the Governor's absence, the

BULGARIA AND MOBILISATION

SOFIA, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A new bill for Civil Mobilisation, including measures to organise national economy in time of war, was introduced in the National Assembly here to-day by the Minister of War. The bill provides for compulsory loans, severe measures against espionage and foreign propaganda and the death penalty for speculators in foodstuffs and other products.

Hymn Of Hate Banned

Goebbels Wants Songs To Be Untainted

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 26 (UP).—Goebbels has banned Germany's modern Hymn of Hate, except on special occasions. The Nazis most popular war song "Wir Fahren Gegen England" (We are Sailing Against England) can no longer be sung or played in cafes, night clubs or restaurants without permission.

Only At Nazi Rallies

Goebbels does not want cherished national symbols and songs to be rendered in a bawdy manner. Germans are supposed to put some spirit into the occasion when they sing the Hymn of Hate or other national songs. So, in addition to banning "Wir Fahren Gegen England," Goebbels has announced that the Horst Wessel song, Deutschland Uber Alles and other patriotic songs cannot be rendered in places of public amusement. They must be rendered only at Nazi rallies, where the watchful eye of the Gestapo can make proceedings more unanimous.

Songs Without Mugs

BERLIN, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—Dr. Joseph Goebbels, the Nazi Propaganda Minister, has put an end to the German custom of singing patriotic songs to the accompaniment of drinking beer mugs. Under a decree just issued for the protection of national symbols and songs, it is forbidden to sing or play patriotic and Nazi party songs in restaurants and cafes.

An exception is made "where the singing or playing of these songs is justified by a special motive." The decree also applies to the "hate" song, "We March Against England," which is specially mentioned.

SCRAP-IRON BIRTHDAY GIFT FOR HITLER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 26 (UP).—The German people intend to give Hitler a magnificent present on his birthday—April 20. Three hundred and fifty centres have been opened in Berlin and thousands more throughout the Reich for receiving contributions.

The birthday present will be—scrap iron!

For each piece of scrap—it might be an old bedstead, an iron gate or even a spittoon—the donor will receive a certificate.

Homes, offices and factories are being searched for ash trays, pots, pans, wall decorations, cups, plates, scuffed Nazi steamers.

The Scapa Flow Raid CAUTIOUS PRAISE

Well-Timed, Favoured By Good Luck

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—Authoritative quarters describe the German Scapa Flow raid as a "well-timed operation favoured by some good luck."

Arriving as daylight was fading the raiders were able to make use of such light as remained to carry out the raid and rely on the gathering darkness to conceal their flight home. The technique adopted was that of successive waves making sudden dives from about 8,000 feet.

Such small damage as was done is thought to have been caused by the first flight, as the remaining waves met with a reception from the A.A. defences which clearly put them off their aim.

Fighters' Difficulties

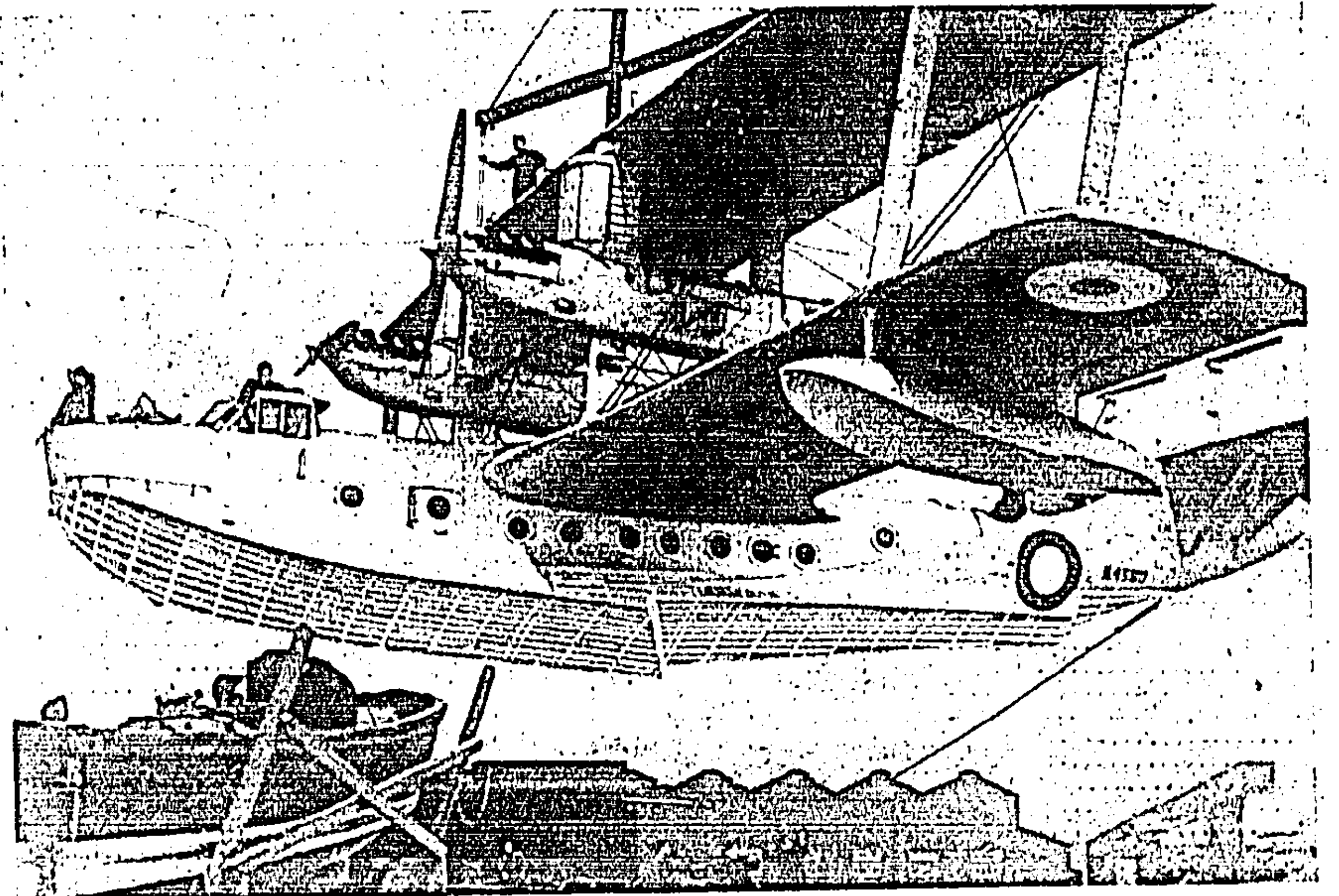
The difficulty of fighters making contact with bombers in darkness is pointed out. Unless searchlights pick out a raider, a mere knife-edge view is presented which is extremely difficult for a fighter pilot to see.

It is thought that this explains why R.A.F. reconnaissance aircraft have flown a great many times over Germany without being found by defending aeroplanes, while in the case of the Sylt raid the Nazis relied almost entirely on ground defences, making little or no attempt to fight the bombers in the air. The only British aircraft brought down on this occasion fell a victim of low firing A.A. guns.

Straight Warning

Informed aviation quarters take the opportunity of warning the British public that if large scale air attacks PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

ENGLAND'S WATCHDOGS OF THE AIR



A FLYING BOAT OF THE R.A.F. Coastal Command being lowered into the water at an aerodrome somewhere in England, preparatory to taking off on a reconnaissance and patrol flight over the North Sea. Dozens of planes of this type are constantly patrolling the waters around the British Isles, searching for Nazi U-boats or Heinkel bombers.—Domei.

"Daily Mail" Announces Cabinet Changes

NEW POST FOR MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Domei).—The "Daily Mail" declares this morning that the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, has decided to form an inner War Cabinet which will be empowered to carry out all necessary policies for the prosecution of the war.

THE WESTERN FRONT

Long-Range Shelling Of Siegfried Line

PARIS, Mar. 26 (UP).—French aviation controlled the effects of long range artillery fire on the Siegfried Line to-day.

B.E.F. TAKE OVER

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A further section of the Allied Front has been taken over by the British Expeditionary Force.

Air Patrols in Action

Air activity by fighter patrols on the Western Front has been intensified during the past few days on the whole front, especially in the Saar, Vosges and Lower Vosges areas.

Yesterday's French communique reported that this activity continued during the night. There is no indication that there were any clashes.

A German communique admits that French planes reconnoitred far into Germany during Sunday and on Monday night. Since then, the French have carried out a number of photographic and scouting flights designed mainly to direct artillery fire.

German planes flew over France and the North Sea.

A German attack on a French outpost south of the Varndt Forest was easily repulsed.

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Swedish Gold For U.S.

Northern Neutrals Take Precautions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, March 26 (UP).—Germany's neighbour, fearful of invasion, are still shipping their gold bullion to the United States for safe keeping.

Switzerland, Belgium and Denmark have already shipped most of their gold abroad.

Now Sweden is doing likewise. Since January 1, shipments of gold from Sweden to the United States have averaged US\$7,000,000 a week. Shipments for the week ending March 20, however, totalled \$2,391,075, nearly all of which was Government bullion.

During the same week, Switzerland sent an additional \$14,270,000 worth of gold for safe keeping in the United States.

British shipments, which were for the purpose of purchasing war materials, totalled \$32,970,000 from Canada, \$8,091,000 from the United Kingdom and \$9,000,000 from South Africa.

To Aid Dependents Of Lost Seamen

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—The fund started in Trinidad and Tobago by the Governor, Sir Hubert Young, after the loss of 20 British West Indies seamen in the tanker, Inverclyde, has reached over \$12,000. It will be used to help such seamen and their dependents who are left in want as the direct result of enemy action. Some contributions to the fund came from Venezuela.

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INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 20th March.

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Canton Mar. 27.

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Hainan Mar. 27.

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Tientsin Mar. 27.

Air Mail by Imperial Airways Direct Service—London date, 20th March.

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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20 February) Mar. 28.

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Sandakan Mar. 30.

Shanghai Mar. 30.

Air Mail by Imperial Airways Direct Service—London date, 23rd March.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd March.

Japan Mar. 31.

Japan and Shanghai Mar. 31.

Shanghai Mar. 31.

Hainan Mar. 31.

Hainan, Fort Bayard and Hainan Apr. 1.

Straits Apr. 1.

OUTWARD MAILS

Wednesday, Mar. 27

Straits, Madang and Salamaua 1.30 p.m.

Salmon, Madang and Salamaua 4.30 p.m.

Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 4th April.

K. P. O.

Reg. Mar. 27, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 27, 5.30 p.m.

G. P. O.

Reg. Mar. 27, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 27, 7.00 p.m.

Straits Thursday, Mar. 28

Canton 7.15 a.m.

Amoy 9 a.m.

Sandakan 12.30 p.m.

For Bayard and Hainan 1.30 p.m.

Amoy 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai 2.30 p.m.

Amoy 7 p.m.

Shanghai, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America (No parcels for Canada only) via San Francisco—due San Francisco 10th April.

G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Parcels, Mar. 28, 5 p.m.

Reg. Mar. 29, 9.45 a.m.

Ord. Mar. 29, 10.30 a.m.

Friday, Mar. 29

Fort Bayard and Hainan 1.30 p.m.

Bangkok 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin 2.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th April

K.P.O.

Reg. 5 p.m.

Ord. 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. 5 p.m.

Ord. 7 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 30

Tourane, Saigon and Bangkok 8.30 a.m.

Shanghai 2.30 p.m.

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 7th April.

K.P.O.

Reg. Mar. 30, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. Mar. 30, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. 7.30 a.m.

Sunday, Mar. 31

Shanghai 0 a.m.

Monday, April 1

Salmon 8.30 a.m.

Hainan 1 p.m.

Japan 3.30 p.m.

Canton 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2

Japan 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta

Parcels Apr. 2, 11 a.m.

Ord. Apr. 2, Noon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21ST MARCH, 1940, to FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	21 1/2
T.T. India	22
T.T. U.S.A.	21 1/2
T.T. Manila	43
T.T. Batavia	40
T.T. Bangkok	150 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108
T.T. France	10.82
T.T. Switzerland	98
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/4

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3.3/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3.7/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	22 1/4
4 m/s France	11.37
30 d/s India	33 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.53 1/4

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks (Long Reg.)	1.480
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	1.03
Chartered	x.d. 9 1/4
Mercantile, A. & B. L.	x.d. 31
Mercantile, C. L.	x.d. 12 1/2
East Asia	71

INSURANCES

Canton	232 1/2
Union	510
China Underwriters	107 1/2
H.K. Fire	107 1/2

SHIPPING

Douglases	150
Steamships	10 1/4
Indo-China S.S.	100
Indo-China D.S.	80
Shell (Bearers) s/-	78/9
Waterboats	7 1/2

DOCKETS ETC.

Wharves	163
Docks (e. f. s. & d.)	22
Docks (s. f. s. & d.)	7 1/2
Providents	5.20
Sh. Docks Sh. S.	38 1/2

MINING

Kallan s/-	10/-
Rauks s. d.	9.00
Venz. Gold	4
H.K. Mines	4 cts.

LANDS

Holds	5 1/4
Lands	38
Lands 4% Debentures	100
Shai Lands Sh.	15
Humphreys	8 b.
H.K. Estates	4.05
Chinese	4.05

UTILITIES

Trams	18
Peak Trams (old)	8
Peak Trams (new)	4
Star Ferries	68
Y. Ferries	20 1/4
China Lights (old)	8.30
China Lights (new)	5.40
H.K. Electric	65 1/4
Macao Electric	22
Sandakan Lights	11 1/4
Telephones (old)	30 1/4
Telephones (new)	11.00
Traction s/-	20/9
Traction (Pref.) s/-	23/-

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	14.90
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	12
Canton Ice	1
Cement	19 1/2
H.K. Ropes	5.65

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old)	23 1/4
Dairy Farms (new)	22 1/4
Watsons	10.65
Long, Crawford	7 1/2
Sinceres	4.80
Wing On (H.K.)	41
Powell, Ltd.	1

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh.	44 1/2
Shai Cotton Sh.	180
Zong Sing	65
Wing On Textiles	49 1/2

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments	7.40
Constructions (old)	1 1/4
Constructions (new)	1
Vibro Piling	8
C. Govt. 5% 1925	51 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	101 1/2
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	10 1/2
Marsmann (Lon.) s/-	14/3
Marsmann (H.K.) s/-	4/-

NO POST-WAR U.S. BOOM

Author Paints Dismal Picture of Europe

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. A. W. Zolomick, President of the International Statistical Bureau, in a new book entitled "This Peculiar War" concludes that nothing good is likely to come from Europe for years.

He says nobody wants Europe but Russia—who wants it for everyone else.

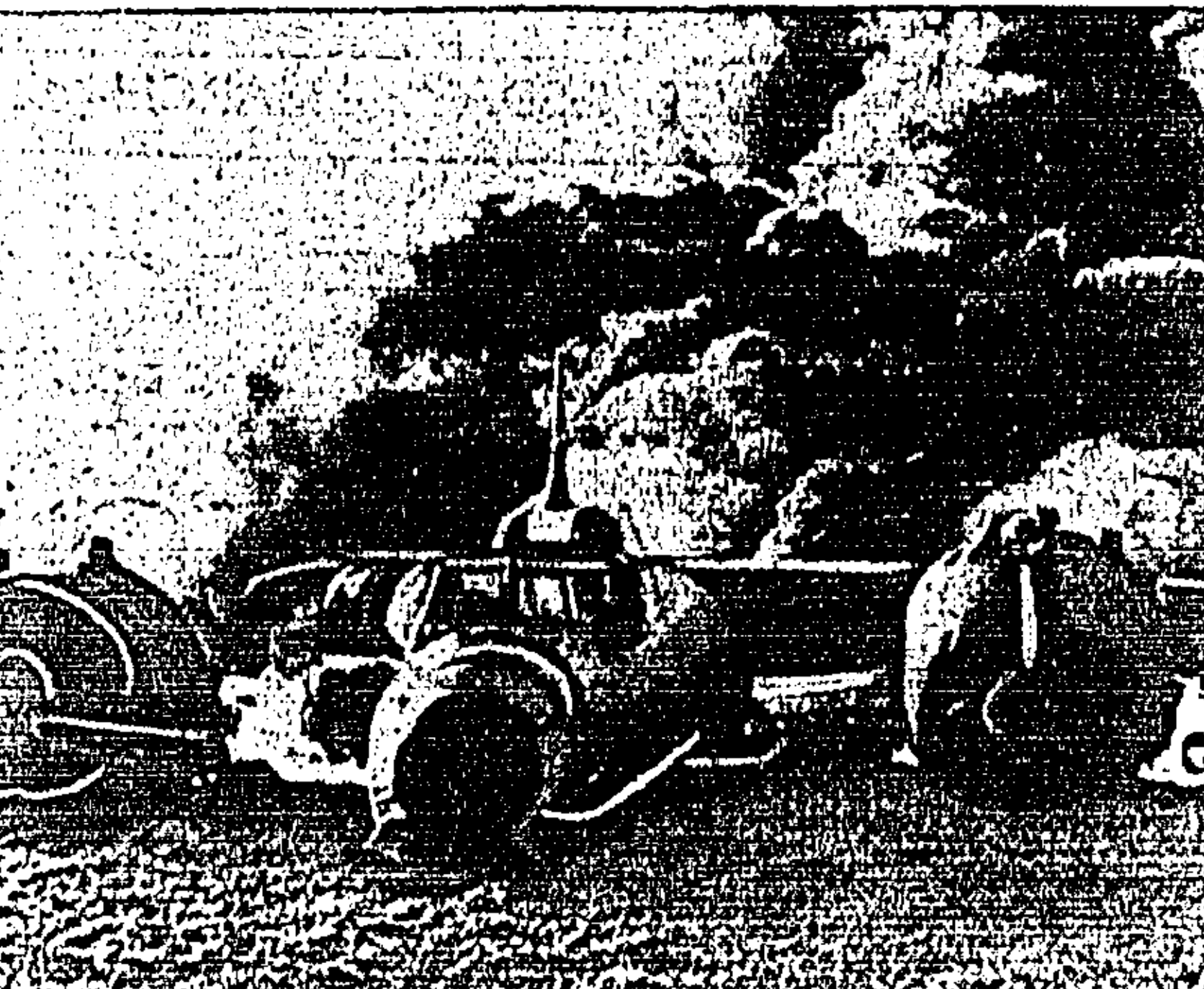
Also he warns that there will be no boom for the United States comparable with that after the first World War.

Soviet Feverishly Buying Petrol

TOKYO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Soviet Union is "feverishly importing" petroleum from America through Vladivostok, according to a Japanese Press message from Tsuruga, which is the terminus of the ferryboat service linking Vladivostok with Japan.

The message adds that the Soviets are also seeking to develop their own Far Eastern deposits.

THIS NAZI PLANE DID NOT ESCAPE



As is customary with Nazi airmen, last some secret of their planes be gained by the French and British, pilots of this German bomber set it alight when they were forced down behind the French lines recently. However, the wreckage showed that it was a Dornier 17.

R. A. F. CANNOT BOMB BERLIN, SAYS GOEBBELS

GOEBBELS has found a new hero and a new boast for the people of Germany.

The BOAST is: "The British cannot bomb you. Our cities are invulnerable from the air." The HERO is the Flak (anti-aircraft) gunner.

The German girl to-day would rather walk out with a Flak gunner than any other man in uniform, because she is told: "He is the man who will protect you from British bombers."

Germany's Flak gunners have not yet done anything to earn their new popularity which is entirely due to the Goebbels campaign.

The German A.A. defence is worked in zones—in the outer ring searchlights and sound locators, next guns, then areas where only fighters operate.

Germans are being taught that "Planfeuer" is the secret that will defeat our bombers. That word means an anti-aircraft barrage intended to lock attacking bombers inside an area where they will either be shot down by fighters or blown to pieces by high-explosive shells if they try to escape.

On good authority I can give the true position of the probabilities of future air attacks. They apply as well to Britain as Germany.

False Security

British citizens should not be lulled, like the Germans, into a false sense of security, to be shocked into realisation of the truth only by bombs.

No city is invulnerable from bombers. The only ultimate defence against enemy bombing is the deterrent of heavier bombing reprisals on enemy cities.

Fighters, balloon barrages, and anti-aircraft units mean that target-bombing is made more difficult, sometimes impossible with accuracy.

But if Germany cares to start the bombing war, we have the class and numbers of bombers to go to Germany and persuade the Nazis very quickly of their error.

That is our "ultimate defence."

LETTERS

Bazaar's Success.

To the Editor,
"Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—I shall be very grateful if you will allow me to express, through your Correspondence Column, my hearty thanks to all those who have contributed to make our Bazaar a success on last Saturday. It was raining quite heavily on that day, but a great number of people came. It was really very kind of them to do so.

MAGAZINE PAGE

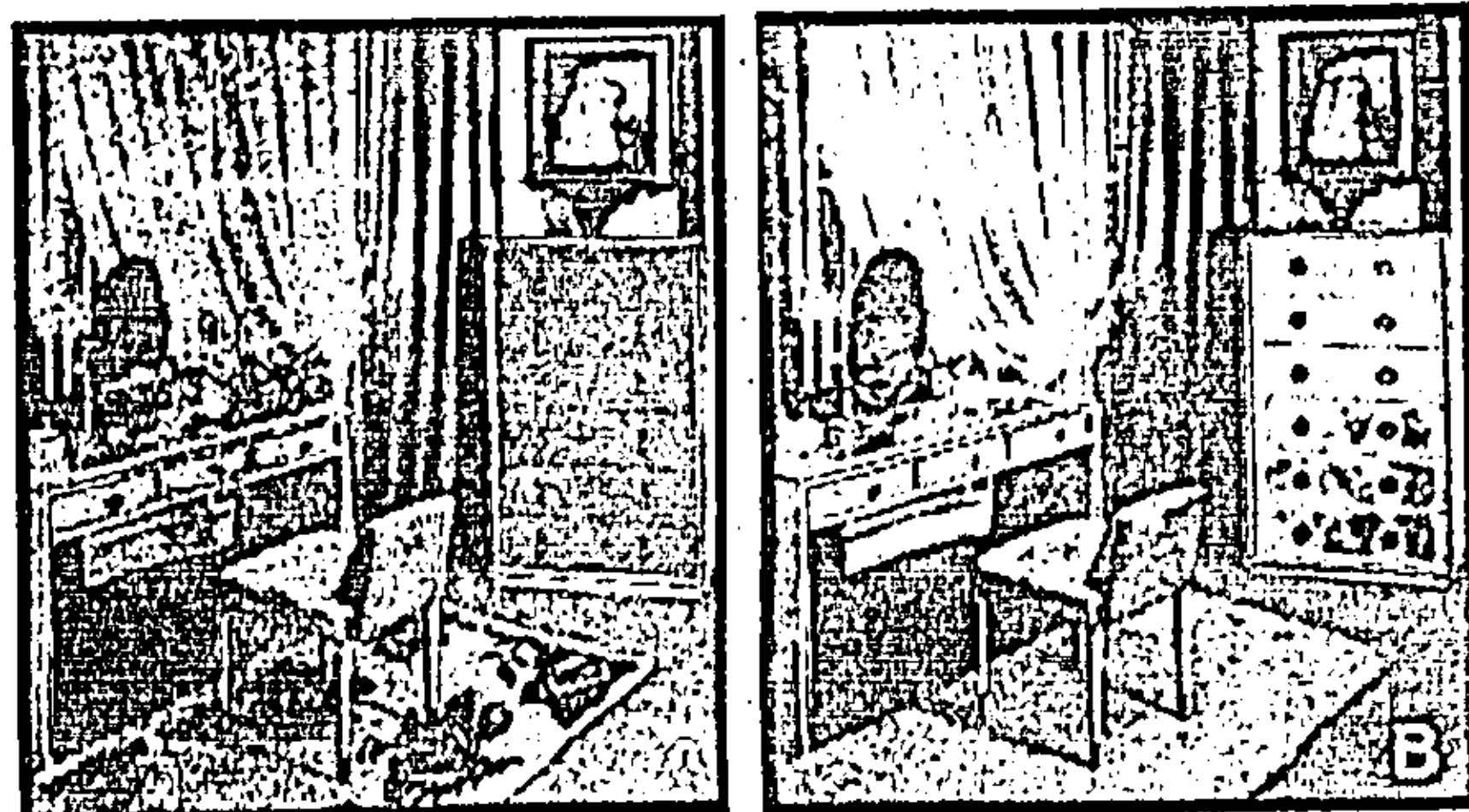
Test your TASTE

HERE are three simple tests planned to pass a few minutes in measuring your good taste.

Begin with these menus below. One of them is nearly perfect, the other has several carelessly chosen items. Which of the two do you think shows the better appreciation of food—and WHY?

MENU	MENU
Grape Fruit	Grape Fruit
Fresh Pea Soup	Consomme
Fillet of Sole Bonnet Femme	Fillet of Sole Bonnet Femme
Roast Yorkshire Duckling	Roast Yorkshire Duckling
Fresh Peas	Fresh Peas
Mashed Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes
Water Ice with Slices of Fresh Orange	Peach Melba

Now these rooms: One is in good taste, the other has errors in furnishing. Which do you think is the better of the two—and WHY?



Two concerts next: Which one would you choose? One of them has been selected with the greater discrimination. Which one is it—and WHY?

CONCERT A.	CONCERT B.
1. Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 Liszt	1. Overture, Marriage of Figaro Mozart
2. Two Songs— Ave Maria Schubert Serenade Schubert	2. Two Songs— Serenade Schubert Ah, fors' e lui Verdi
3. Intermezzo, Midsummer Night's Dream Mendelssohn	3. Ballet Music from La Boutique Fantasque Rossini
4. Overture, Marriage of Figaro Mozart	INTERVAL
5. Song, Serenade Strauss	4. Symphony: Pathétique Tchaikowsky

If you're not sure, look at the foot of columns four and five.



"Life has suddenly become very pleasant, Mother"



For this little fellow a sombre world has suddenly brightened. His mother has given him his first taste of Castoria—the children's laxative. And he loved it!

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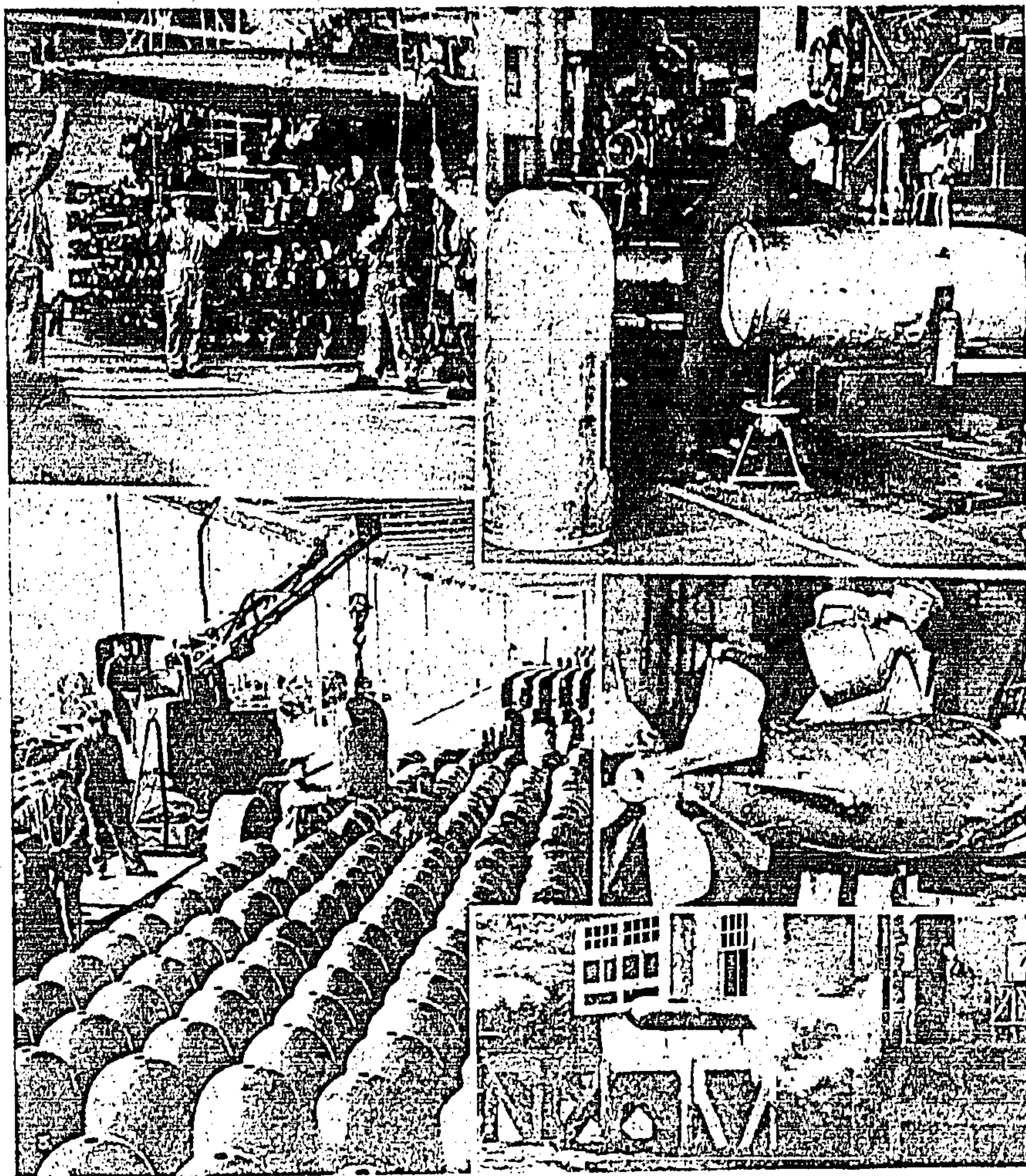
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PICTURE ARTICLE



MARVELS OF THE MODERN TORPEDO

THE first torpedo consisted of an explosive charge on the end of a long pole.

This pole was carried by a launch so that it stuck out over the bows like a long bowsprit, and a torpedo attack consisted of creeping up to the enemy ship, thrusting the charge on the end of the pole against her side, and firing it.

That method was only used once in action, and then the attacking launch was also destroyed, which was hardly surprising.

It is a far cry from that primitive weapon to the modern self-propelled torpedo, capable of rushing at its target at nearly fifty miles an hour, and travelling for many miles on an accurate course and at a set depth below the surface of the sea.

Yet the self-propelled torpedo is a weapon which has been developed comparatively recently. Admiral of the Fleet Lord Chatfield, the British Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, witnessed, when he was a young officer serving in H.M.S. Warspite, the first self-propelled torpedo attack on a heavy ship in history.

That was during the Chilean Revolution, when the battleship Blanca Encalada was sunk by torpedo attack from torpedo gunboats. The first self-propelled torpedoes were driven by compressed air. They were known as "cold" torpedoes. They worked fairly well, except that their speed failed off as the pressure of the compressed air became reduced, and they left a very marked track of air bubbles.

THESE disadvantages were overcome by the development of what is known as the "hot" torpedo. Compressed air still plays an important part in the propulsion of these torpedoes, and the "air vessel" in which the compressed air is contained forms the greater part of the hull of the modern torpedo. The compressed air, however, no longer drives the torpedo. The air mixes with oil fuel and is burnt in the inside of a "generator." Down the outside of the "generator" runs water.

So high is the temperature of the "generator" that the air, oil and water which go in at one end come out at the other in the

forms of super-heated steam mixed with the gases of combustion. It is this mixture which drives the engine.

The engine of a modern torpedo is a marvel. It is a four-cylinder radial engine which fits into the twenty-one inch diameter of the torpedo's hull and takes up only about nine inches of its length. This little engine develops some three hundred horse-power, and is one of the most efficient power-units in the world. It is water-cooled by the sea, and it needs cooling for if a torpedo were run hot out of the water the engine would be reduced to a mass of molten metal in a very short time.

The engine drives, through gearing, two propellers which revolve in opposite directions. If there were only one propeller its grip on the water would tend to make the streamlined torpedo revolve while the propeller itself remained still.

THE depth below the surface at which a torpedo will run is regulated by horizontal rudders on the tail, which are operated by a combination of a hydrostatic valve and a pendulum weight. The weight takes charge if the nose of the torpedo goes up or down, while the valve is actuated by the sea pressure according to the depth at which the torpedo is set to run. The direction of the torpedo is controlled by vertical rudders operated by a highly efficient gyroscope run by compressed air.

The explosive charge of a torpedo is, of course, carried in the head, and it is fired when a torpedo hits its target by means of a "pistol" which fits onto the nose of the torpedo. This "pistol" contains the detonator and firing mechanism. It is provided with steel "whiskers" which stand out almost to the diameter of the torpedo, so that if the torpedo strikes a glancing blow on its target, one, at least, of these "whiskers" is certain to be struck and the torpedo fired. The actual weight of explosive in the head of a torpedo is secret, but experience has shown the power of these underwater weapons.

The modern torpedo is an exceedingly complicated piece of mechanism, and every part has to be accurate, not only as far as dimension measurements are concerned, but also as regards weight. This is because a torpedo is very delicate. For efficient running a torpedo must have virtually no tendency either to float or to sink, so that its weight is a matter of nice calculation. Even the exact amount of air, water, fuel, and the rest of the things with which it is charged have to be carefully calculated so that the resulting weight is right.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The holding feeling not having entirely worn off, interest in the market was little better than academic.

Buyers	
Union Ins. \$500	
Docks \$23	
Tramways \$7.50	
China Lights (Old) \$8.20	
China Lights (New) \$5.40	
Ropes \$3.45	
Sellers	
H.K. Bank \$1,500	
Union Ins. \$500	
Docks \$23	
Tramways \$7.50	
China Lights (Old) \$8.20	
China Lights (New) \$5.40	
Ropes \$3.45	
MANILA GOLD SHARES	
Atoks	10 b

Antamok	12 a
Baguio Gold	21 a
Batong Bulay	010 b
Big Wedge	10 b
Coco Grove	11 b
Con. Mines	0033 b
Demonstration	1015 a
East Mind.	33 b
Ex. I.	33 b
Ipo Gold	10 b
Hogen Min.	201 a
Manila Con.	0015 b
Mind. Motherlode	0014 b
Mine Operation	0014 b
Paracale Diamond	10 b
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Test Your Taste

1 Menu "A" is badly assorted. Pea Soup and Roast Duck are both heavy, rich dishes and should not be combined. Peas occur twice, in the soup and as a vegetable. Mashed potatoes are wrong with the duckling.

Menu "B" is better. In fact, there is nothing wrong with it until the sweet, which is too rich to follow the duck. If only the hostess who arranged this menu had ended her dinner with the ice in Menu "A" it would have been a perfectly balanced meal.

2 In the grouping of "A" there is a confusion of motives. The naturalistic designs on the rug clash with the formal modernistic lines of the furniture. The flowers are out of place for the same reason.

The drop antique handles on the tail-boy conflict with the rounded modern handles on the dressing table.

In "B" there is one formal motive observed consistently throughout so as to make a harmonious whole. The rug is plain, there are no flowers. The tailboy handles have also been made to match those on the dresser.

3 The first Programme, Concert "A," is just a jumble of items, each one good in itself but strung together without pattern. There is no piece substantial enough to build the items around. Also they are too monotonously alike. The two Schubert songs are similar, and there are two serenades, while the final item leaves a sense of incompleteness.

Concert "B" builds up the attention of the audience item by item to the climax. Then, when their faculties have been fully roused, comes a break to give them a rest before the big item of the evening, which sends them home with something to think over and discuss.



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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1890.
Emperor William speaking at a public banquet in Berlin, affirmed that the principle of Divine Right made the welfare of the lower classes his chief care, and that he would heartily welcome all who aided him in his work, and would crush all who opposed him.

Blumar Crisp, speaking in the Chamber to-day, said that the position of Italy in Africa was unassailable, and that the Italian Government would always proceed in that quarter in accord with Great Britain, both their interests being identical.

25 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1915.
The Press Bureau announces that, at dawn yesterday, patrols discovered a party of the enemy near El Kurbi, opposite Suez, and shots were exchanged.

10 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1930.
The Rev. Dr. Lyttleton, former headmaster of Eton and Halesbury, was today knocked down by a motor car in London and is 74 years old. Dr. Lyttleton is the seventh son of the fourth Lord Lyttleton. He received his education at Eton.

The joint efforts of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. H. L. Stimson to inspire the London Naval Conference with fresh confidence are meeting with a measure of success. The atmosphere to-day seems to be a distinct improvement.

The new German liner Europa has beaten her sister ship the Bremen's transatlantic record for crossing to New York 4 days, 17 hours, 6 minutes. She has thus duplicated the Bremen's achievement in winning the blue ribbon on her maiden voyage.

With a complement of 301 passengers, the liner, premier cruising vessel of the Hamburg American fleet, arrived in port this morning from Hamburg on her seventh cruise around the world in as many years.

5 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1935.
It is believed possible that Germany may ask for the return of Memel. It is pointed out, however, that Germany may offer a plebiscite on the Memel question in return for Herr Hitler's concession regarding the security of Europe and disarmament.

It is learned that Italy's plan of mobilization under the terms of the full regiments of the crack Alpine troops near the Austrian frontier. There is no reason given for this move, but the excuse for it, according to observers, is the unsettled condition of affairs in Europe.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day, said that he had no right to denounce the Versailles Treaty. He said the Treaty did not provide for unilateral denunciation.

Mr. Joseph Avenol, Secretary General of the League of Nations, today issued a statement for release to Japanese morning papers regretting the departure from the League of one of the original member nations.

Senator Borah, interviewed to-day, declared that "Germany does not do places and the Allies will submit. The Versailles Treaty will be scrapped and it will be a good thing. There would be no war in Europe over the present impasse, he maintained.

During the course of 1933, three newly built express steamers will be seen under the Norddeutscher Lloyd's flag in the East Asiatic line. They are the steamers Scharnhorst, Potsdam and Gneisenau.

Income Tax Increased

Turkey's Commodities Affected

ANKARA, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Professional men and bankers will pay 40 per cent. more income tax under a bill submitted to the National Assembly.

Wage earners are also liable for more tax but at lower rates. Owing to the international situation and demands of national defence, tax-payers must provide a further £8,000,000 to balance the £5,400,000 budget.

Under the bill, taxes and duties will be increased on a long list of commodities, including tea, coffee, sugar, spirits, tobacco, petrol and cotton goods.

FRAUDS TO SERVE SENTENCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Federal Judge Samuel Mandelbaum has refused to grant a postponement in the execution of the sentence against Senor Buencamino who was convicted with Messrs. William Buckner and William Gillespie in connection with the Philippine Railway bond fraud.

The three will be taken to the house of detention this afternoon. A report from an unimpeachable source in Washington says that President Roosevelt has declined to pardon Sr. Buencamino and has returned his application to the Justice Department without comment.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Among those taking part in the raid on SYL, the Air Ministry announced to-day, were 14 Canadians, seven Australians, seven New Zealanders and one South African.

usual to fight as quiet as possible until the Graf Spee was almost ready to go out.

The German commander, who had made much of the crew for the first two days, boycotted them when the news of their refusal to fight got around. The statement concludes with the report that the crew's refusal to obey orders and insubordination are confirmed by observers aboard the merchant ships Lynx, Grange, Treckle and other vessels, both naval and mercantile, which were moored close to the Graf Spee, including a tug lying alongside her.

These observers were witnesses of these occurrences aboard the Graf Spee.

TIME TO ACT HAS ARRIVED—Reynaud

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 26 (UP).—"Hitler's hour would come if the Paris Government lacked authority."

"Dangers have been averted and the time has now come to act. We shall act—but I cannot describe the details," declared the French Premier, M. Paul Reynaud in his radio broadcast speech to-day.

"Our aim has not changed—and our aim is to win the war. Although I wish for unanimous support, I do not wish to attain it by ulterior manoeuvres, but by the results of our action," the Premier added.

War Aims Unchanged
PARIS, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—France's war aim remained unchanged—defeat the enemy, declared M. Paul Reynaud, the new Premier, in a broadcast to-night.

He promised that the decisions of the new government would be mature and its actions prompt.

Regarding the inner Cabinet of nine, M. Reynaud said: "It is enough for deliberation and not too many for action."

Referring to the formation of the new government, M. Reynaud said that he was actuated by one idea—what ministerial formation would give to the Government the most strength for action.

"In the midst of a war France offers the spectacle of a cascade of governments, then enemy propaganda would pounce on the failure of our democracy and the impotence of our regime, but the real risk was of favouring the execution of the enemy's plans. He gambles on our internal break-up, which would enable him to undertake military action at the minimum cost."

Attack On Balkans
"At the moment that I am speaking, everything has been set at work by Hitler to attack the economic independence of the Balkan states," continued M. Reynaud.

By every means, the Reich is striving to establish its hegemony over a great part of Europe.

"The Government's duty is clear—make war in all fields. Everywhere men are needed—to fight, work in factories and work in the fields.

The Government's part is to put everybody in place.

Peace-Time Rhythm Offence
"Whoever leaps to the peace-time rhythm of work is committing an offence against the country. Normal is not enough.

"Those who might attempt to thwart this great national effort will be crushed. This war will be hard. We will have to fight hard, work hard and suffer hard. We shall win this hard war."

WANG KEH-MIN SAYS LITTLE

Nanking Discussions Small In Scope

PEIPING, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Wang Keh-min gave an interview to foreign correspondents on his return from Nanking.

Wang appeared to be in unusually good spirits as he was highly satisfied with his trip south. But for a person who has agreed to cancel the former independence status of his Peiping Provisional Government, he had strangely little to say regarding future arrangements.

No Changes In Personnel
According to his statement, only the date, place and organisation of the new Government were discussed in Nanking.

Replying to questions, he stated that there was not likely to be any change in the personnel of the northern administration, that foreign affairs would be handled by the Central Government, and that nothing was settled regarding the status of the new Chinese armies in North China.

Danes Sentenced For Espionage

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Five Danish citizens were sentenced here to-day to varying terms of imprisonment for espionage and attempted espionage.

Bolivia Nips Revolt: Situation Now Quiet

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LA PAZ, Mar. 26 (UP).—A State of Siege has been proclaimed throughout Bolivia.

Government soldiers have quelled a barracks uprising of Carbineros who were plotting to overthrow Senor Quintanilla, the Provisional President.

It is officially announced that 200 of a 1,500 garrison of Carbineros were involved in the subversive movement which was apparently led by Senor Antonio Campero Arce, former Minister to Italy.

There has been no shooting or other acts of violence. The rebels were apparently awaiting instructions from the interior to start the rebellion when the plot was discovered. Reports indicate that the interior is still quiet.

When the plot was discovered at dawn, Senor Quintanilla called a meeting of the Cabinet and then posted his troops.

SNOWBALL TACTICS

Goebbels At His Old Game Of Lies

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The snowball tactics of Dr. Goebbels' propaganda machine are again exemplified by the way the Nazis are changing their minds about the R.A.F. raid on Sylt.

The first report said that one British plane was brought down. The latest report says that six were brought down.

At this rate, the Germans will soon have exceeded the total number of aeroplanes taking part in the raid, semi-official observers in London comment.

Not Exactly Unusual
This, of course, is not exactly unusual. The Nazis achieved this feat in their reports of the air battle over Heligoland eight last December.

If the Nazis conform to habit, their next report should be 12 British planes shot down in the Sylt raid.

The Air Ministry once again stresses that the Nazi figures are false. As announced within a few hours at the time, only one R.A.F. machine failed to return.

British Press On The War

European Diplomatic Activity Reviewed

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following is a summary of part of the comments which appeared in the British press on Monday.

The "Times" remarks on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the West Indies, the chief recommendation being that the Government has stated it will refuse the old axiom that the Colonies are only retained as a source of profit for the government.

The proposals are well received on both the islands themselves and at home here. The British taxpayer will have to provide a substantial sum, the main portion of which will go to health, education and housing schemes.

Nazi Domination Plan
Several of the home papers comment on the diplomatic activity in Europe.

The German plan to dominate Europe is commented on by the "Manchester Guardian" which asks how this formidable German plan will be met. Europe must be shown that Britain's interest is neither selfish nor insincere. She cannot distinguish between her freedom and that of Europe's.

The "Yorkshire Post" says that the first visible result of our diplomatic activity is apparent in the Bucharest announcement that the Rumanian Economic Mission will visit London early next month.

The new clearing agreement will be negotiated and probably vigorous attempts will be made to expand the whole of the British and Rumanian trade.

On the question of nerves, the "Daily Telegraph" comments that the Easter holiday-makers showed that Britain and France are ready with quiet confidence for whatever trouble which may come.

More Raids Over Germany

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A Berlin High Command communique admits that during Sunday night, enemy planes flew over north and south-west Germany.

The communique claims that these planes "several times violated the territory of Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and Sweden."

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2-Type of jazz

3-National assembly of

4-Monarchian salt

5-Enough (poetic)

6-Too bad

7-Handed hand fight

8-Device for keeping

9-Dress a grey

10-Marginal publication

11-Drunkards

12-Floor

13-Tell over in detail

14-Locked to private

15-Tuesday

16-Glass denoting omni

17-Before

18-United Statesman

19-Sacred cistna

20-Indian word

21-Peruvian tuber

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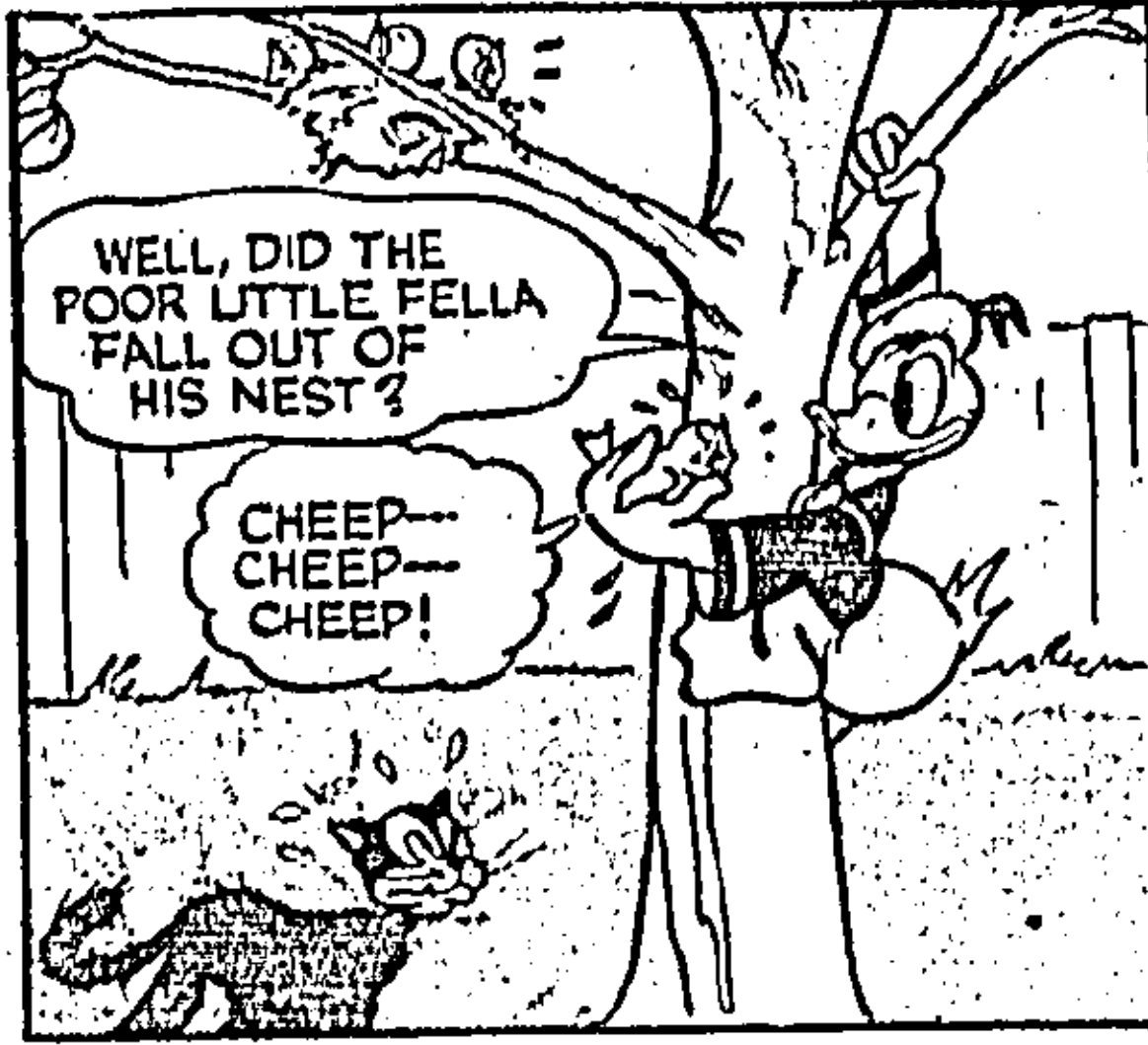
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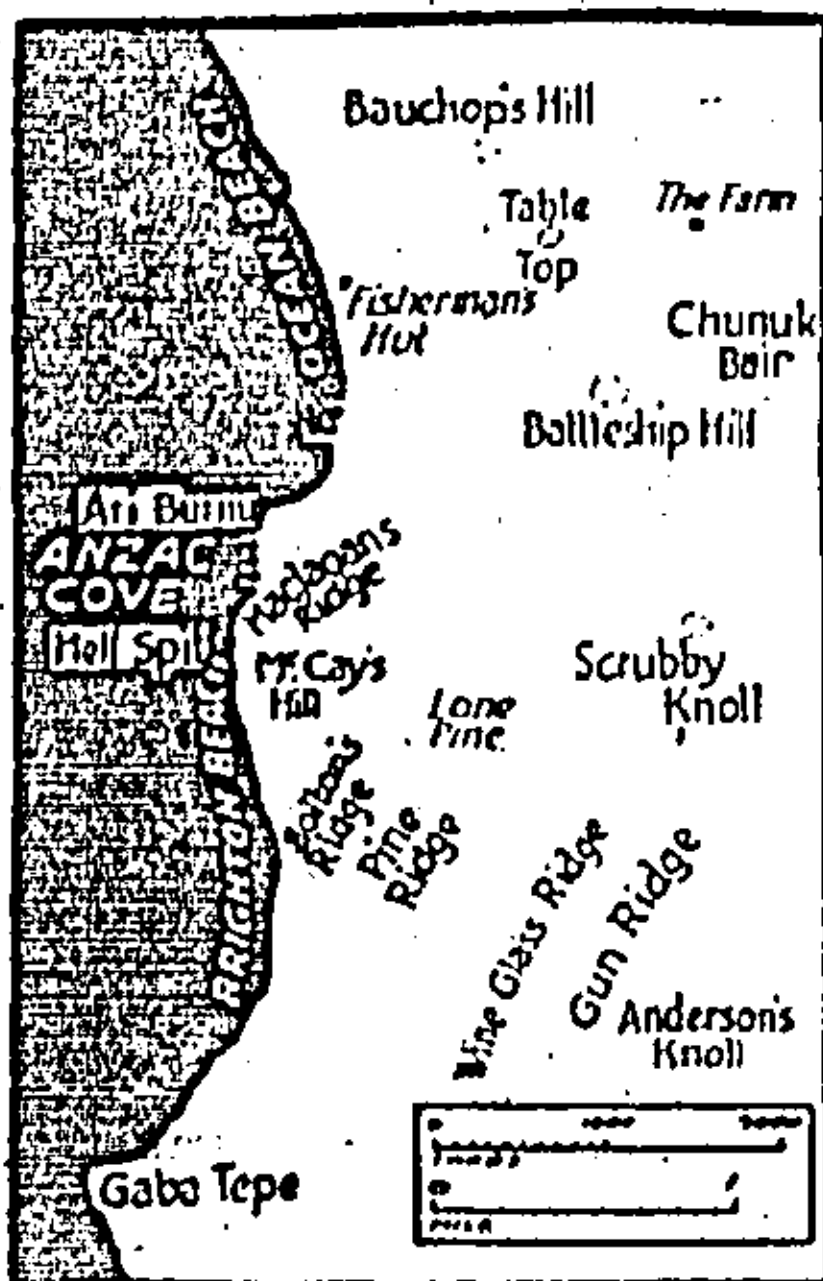
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News from the Empire

These names stir memories



AUSTRALIAN and New Zealand troops won the distinction of the world—including that of their hard-fighting enemy, the Turk—by their exploits in the Gallipoli campaign.

NAMES of the places shown in the map above—of the Anzacs' sector on the Peninsula—will bring back to many men of the 1940 contingent memories of their exploits twenty-five years ago.

ZEST in battle was the mark of the men who fought their way from Anzac Cove, over MacLagan's Ridge, from Ocean Beach up to Table Top.

AFTER the withdrawal from the Peninsula they won battle honours in Palestine and on the Western Front.

CROWNING achievement, however, was their holding, for three months, of their 1½-mile line above Anzac Cove—in the words of the official war historian—They made this apparently hopeless position impregnable, a story that will live for ever."

CLINICAL MEETING

A clinical meeting of the Hongkong and China branch of the British Medical Association will be held at 9 p.m. to-day at the Queen Mary Hospital.

Australia

GIRL STOPS PANIC IN MID-AIR BLAZE

MELBOURNE.

FLYING six thousand feet above South Australia to-day eleven passengers in the air-liner Bungana felt a shock to the machine and, looking through their observation windows, saw flames burst from one of the engines.

Then, along the central gangway walked the plane's young air hostess, calmly telling them to keep in their seats, but to buckle their safety belts.

The plane, on the Melbourne-Adelaide run, had been struck in the starboard propeller by a giant wedge-tailed eagle.

Captain Croucher, her pilot, skillfully side-slipping the machine to keep the flames away from the fuselage, brought the plane down to within a hundred feet of the ground before the blazing engine fell off.

Then, grazing tree-tops and smashing steadily in a paddock near Dimboola, and, climbing out, put out the fire with his extinguishers.

One of the passengers said later: "We thought our end had come. We held each other's hands and waited. But that air hostess was superb. She

moved calmly among us, helping us to fasten our safety belts."

Exports Take Lead

AUSTRALIA'S overseas trade made tremendous strides during the seven months ended January 31. Exports increased by £3,500,000 compared with the same period of 1939-40, and an unfavourable balance of £330,000 was converted into a favourable balance of £3,300,000—an aggregate improvement of nearly £4,000,000.

Way to Victory

"WE cannot expect to win this war unless we carry the fight to the enemy," said Lieut.-General Blamey, Commander of the Australian Imperial Force. "I do not underestimate the importance of the Air Force. Its proportionate part in the war is greater than ever before and, probably, will increase, but it is ancillary to sea and land fighting rather than an effective win-the-war instrument."

ANZACS MOVE INTO TENT CITIES IN THE DESERT

Eden Flew to Welcome "The Boys" to Egypt

SUEZ.

THE first of the Anzacs are here in Suez and, sixty miles up the canal, at Ismailia.

In the biggest troop convoy ever to put to sea they voyaged 10,000 miles from New Zealand and Australia, and they landed, singing and shouting their war cries, in Egypt.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary, after a secret flight from England, took a launch out to the troopships lying anchored off Suez, carrying in his pocket a message from the King.

It read:—

"I knew well that the splendid tradition established by the armed forces of New Zealand will be worthily upheld by you, who have left your homes to fight for the cause that the whole Empire has made its own."

"Now that you have entered the field of active service, I send you a very warm welcome, together with my best wishes for your welfare."

Men swarmed in the rigging of the ships and clustered round the lifeboats aboard the "flagship" to hear Mr. Eden and senior officers of the Empire's Middle Eastern Army welcome them ashore.

"In crossing the seas you boys have sent the bravest and most encouraging message it is in a nation's power to send. Britain thanks you," Mr. Eden told them.

Then a bank New Zealanders hauled him down from the hatch on which he was speaking with the words, "Come down here, pal, we want to get a picture of you."

Mixers

For an hour Mr. Eden, General Wavell, and Britain's Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Miles Lampson, moved among the crowd signing autographs and handing round cigarettes.

It is exactly twenty-five years since Egypt saw these soldiers—or rather, their fathers, for most of these men are sons of the original Anzacs—nuggety, close-knit figures.

They seem a bit quieter in manner than their fathers, but they are just as tough.

Officers and men wear hats like a Boy Scout's and carry a 50lb. kit which they take them through any weather—the desert heat or the storms up north.

"I'll stake whatever military reputation I have on these lads," Major-General Freyberg, the New Zealanders' V.C. commander-in-chief, told me.

That reputation is formidable. Freyberg, six-foot champion swimmer, got a D.S.O. at Gallipoli by swimming ashore naked, his body painted black, to light flares on

an enemy-held beach to create a diversion. He won his V.C. on the Somme. The Australian commander is another veteran of the last war—Lieut.-General Sir Thomas Blamey. General Blamey was seven times mentioned in despatches during his service in France in 1918. In 1919 he was chief of staff of the Australian Imperial Force. He is now fifty-six. Many of his senior officers are old comrades-in-arms.

In the ranks, too, you come on scores of original Anzacs. Men like Paddy Bourke, or Jack Orr, two of the oldest men in the contingent.

Bantams

They are both fifty-five, both five-foot "bantams." Both landed here to fight in the last war. Both were wounded, and now they have come back to fight as they did before—as sergeants this time.

Nurses came, too. Trim, serious, grey-coated girls in their twenties and thirties. They had little to do.

A squadron of British warships brought the troopships across three oceans, out of summer into winter, without a single serious incident.

For five weeks they staid, blacked-out by night, toward the Red Sea without the Nazis getting an idea of their position.

Even rumour-ridden Egypt was taken by surprise as troop-trains after troop-trains passed by on the way to the desert camps.

Advance parties have prepared vast tent cities. As the troops move in they find that the sand has sprouted water taps, Macadam roads, petrol dumps and radio stations have been built.

Canal Drive

Leaving the New Zealanders after lunch, Mr. Eden motored up the canal back to Ismailia to board the Australian troopships.

"Hullo, Tony," the men roared as he clambered aboard.

There was another huge cheer when the men heard that their arrival had been announced in Australia. Their wives and families didn't know where they had been sent. They had had no news of their husbands, fathers and sweethearts for a month.

"Till last night the men themselves had no idea where they were bound for," Brigadier Allen said. "They started sweepstakes about it—some even bought Canada and Finland in the sweep."

"But now we know what we're in for, and we expect a fight."

Brigadier W. Darby

New O. C. Salvation Army In H.K.

General Carpenter of The Salvation Army, has decided to appoint Brigadier Wm. Darby as Officer Commanding The Salvation Army in South China and Hongkong. The Brigadier takes over this Command from Colonel V. E. Rolfe, who went home on leave last year and who will be taking up another appointment most probably in England.

Brigadier and Mrs. Darby are not in any way new to China, both having spent nearly 21 years in this country, the major portion of the time being served in North China. The Brigadier came South four and a half years ago to take up the post of General Secretary to The Army in South China, therefore he takes up this new post with wide experience of China and also of the peculiar needs of the district in which he now commands the activities of The Salvation Army. He also has wide knowledge of the Army having been an Officer for nearly 32 years. Becoming an Officer from Birmingham in 1907, he commanded many centres of work in Great Britain before coming to China. Mrs. Darby is Australian.

1915, BULLETS: 1940, CHEERS



Twenty-five years. In February 1915 the Anzacs were making their famous and costly landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula. In February 1940 they land, acclaimed, from converted luxury liners—but ready for any development in this strange new war.

Problem Partner

Woman at Eastleigh, Hants, Police Court: "This is the sort of man my husband is. When some one knocks at our door I have to ask him: 'Will you hide or put on your collar and tie?'"

Husband Quarrels About The Baby

Madchen Want Husbands

For the first time women's advertisements for husbands appear in the Nazi *Volkischer Beobachter*. The newspaper has always refused such advertisements, but it now explains that "the population policy of National-Socialism has always promoted efforts leading to marriages."

NOW HE SAYS 'IT'S MY FAULT'

NORA BROUCHER, twenty-five-year-old wife and mother, stood crying in Stockport (Cheshire) Police Court. She was accused of trying to murder her baby, aged three months.

Her husband, William Henry Broucher, walked to the front of the court and said, "Please may I speak? It's all my fault."

He said he had quarrelled with his wife about the baby, "I have ill-treated her," he went on, "and I am going to make a fresh start."

"This case has taught me a lesson. I want us to start the New Year together."

Told His Wife

"Please give us a chance." He said he had always told his wife that the baby was not his. He quarrelled with her before leaving for work one morning. Then he felt "something was going to happen," so he asked to be let off work early.

The prosecution said that when Mr. Broucher got home he found his wife, distracted, nursing her baby and muttering "I didn't mean it." She told her mother-in-law that she tried to strangle the baby.

Mrs. Broucher, whose address was given as Richardson-street, Stockport, was committed to Chester Assizes.

But the chairman granted bail, and said "The magistrates incline to the view that it will be best to let you have a new start at once."

SOUTH AFRICA

Pastor Refuses To Bless Hitler

CAPETOWN. NAZI sympathisers in the Orange Free State have found a "Niemoeller"—Pastor Wilhelm Luckhoff, of the Lutheran Church in Bloemfontein.

Luckhoff, censured because he refused to pray for God's blessing on Hitler, resigned.

"I have been fighting the Nazi spirit in Bloemfontein ever since I realised that Nazism and Christianity are in direct conflict," he said.

"To have asked God's blessing for Hitler would have been a mockery."

After the Church Council's vote of censure, threatening letters—most of them anonymous—poured into Pastor Luckhoff's home.

He was warned that his life would be in danger unless he quit the Free State.

Martin Niemoeller, former U-bon commander, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Dahlem, Berlin, was hounded from his pulpit and thrown into jail by the Nazis because he drew attention to the clash of Nazism and Christianity. Nazi judges could find him guilty of no crime, but he was returned to a concentration camp as "politically unreliable."

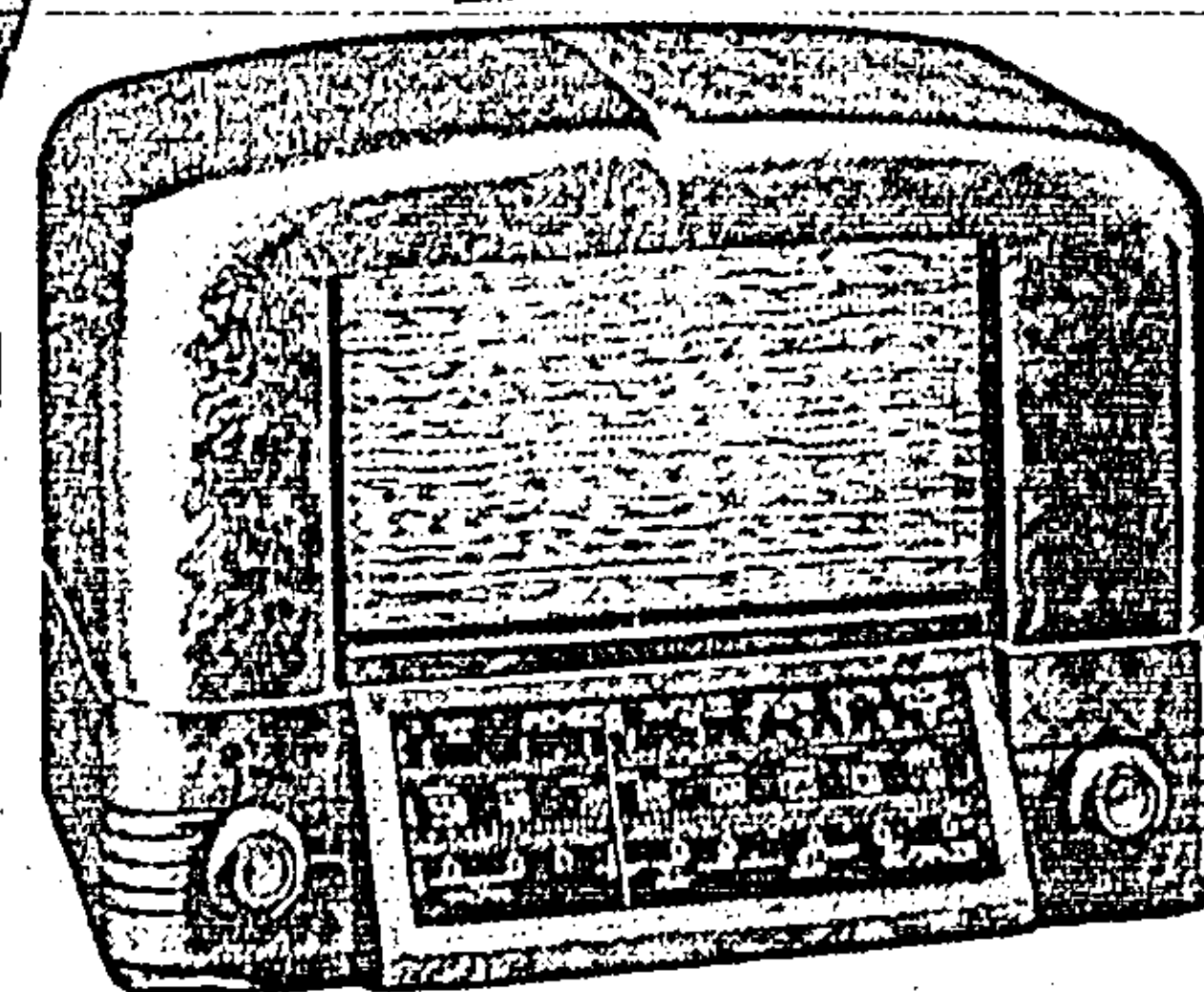
Devotion

"I gather from the very best sources that Mr. Elliot (Minister of Health) has haggis once a week."

"From what I have seen of it I should think that eating haggis once a week really plumbs the depth of national devotion."—Professor Frederick Langmead, at a London luncheon recently. (Haggis, originally French, consists of minced heart, lungs, liver, suet, onions and oatmeal boiled in sheep's stomach. Served with whisky.)



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The Economic Link

BRITISH Ministers have again and again insisted that the present alliance in arms between Britain and France, with its inevitable economic corollary, may well result in a closer and an enduring co-operation when peace returns. A not unimportant step in this direction is to be seen in the Anglo-French trade agreements concluded between the President of the Board of Trade and the French Minister of Commerce. The effect of them is to relax considerably the measures of prohibition and restriction which had to be imposed on the outbreak of war. They are, in fact, the logical sequel to the financial agreements between the two countries which were concluded last December; and they lead the way to the establishment of similar arrangements between other parts of the British and French Empires. Such reciprocity, whose consequence must be a growing inter-dependence, is of the happiest augury.

It is also satisfactory to know that the means of overcoming difficulties in the way of the parallel development of French and British export trade have been examined, and that the discussions between the Federation of British Industries and the equivalent organisation in France have been approved. Such a move might easily eventuate in something very like an industrial alliance. For the immediate moment the announcement that will be most welcomed, however, is the agreed intention to simplify to the greatest possible extent the existing formalities relating to the control of external trade, the movement of private persons, and communications by post, telegraph and telephone. These formalities have proved not only unduly restrictive but positively vexatious. Trade between Britain and France has been forced, as it were into a strait waistcoat, and healthy activity has been made impossible. No better foundation could be laid for that intimate collaboration between the two countries which, it is hoped, will be a potent factor in post-war economics than this decision to give business interchanges the freedom to function.

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HOPE: "Dare I risk plucking that one again?"

Something To Cling To—That's All They Asked

THOSE Nazi airmen who murdered the men in the East Dudgeon lightship would be furious to learn that they have indirectly done the best turn of the war to Britain's merchant seamen.

What happened to that defenceless lightship crew has turned Authority's spotlight on the need for greater safety measures for men of the sea.

Mr. Winston Churchill has announced that crews are to be taken off the further-out lightships. And the further-out lightships are to be replaced by light-floats without crews.

No more will we risk men whose whole working life has been spent helping the vessels of all nations, German included.

But if the seas are unsafe for lightship men, what of the crews of fishing trawlers and the slow, old tramps which would normally be bound for the scrap-yard, but are now of greater value to the nation than they have ever been before?

They have been telling strange, disquieting tales, these men of the tramps, on their return from recent voyages.

GAVIN DOUGLAS, Scottish novelist, has just ended a voyage as a deck-hand.

His ship was so old and so slow that she could not join a convoy. But she is useful enough to bring 10,000 tons of iron-ore to this country each trip she makes.

Douglas is bitter, but he is going to sea again.

There were times on that last trip when he and his shipmates were convinced that they were just plain, fool suicides.

They looked at their lifeboats as the ship creaked and groaned through the danger zones, and they had morbid discussion on the number of ways they could go down without the lifeboats being the thinnest scrap of use.

The crew were concerned about the lack of safety.

In their hours off duty they formed little informal discussion groups.

One or two of them actually planned to leave odd spars lying about in the scuppers in the hope that if the ship went down there would be "spares" floating about afterwards.

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In many of these oldish ships the lifeboats, leak badly when launched. Some of the boats suffer from over-zealous painting.

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He added that the special provisioning of these rafts, with sealed lockers containing food, water, spirits and flares, could be economically provided.

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Douglas himself hopes to go back next month.

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After he and his mates had been floundering round in the cold waters of the bay for some hours they were hauled aboard one of their own lifeboats.

They sat there shivering in the stern when Stanley suddenly remembered the brandy.

He called to the officer in charge—"Pass the brandy, sir."

There was a shocked silence.

Then the officer spoke. "Don't you remember?" he said. "We drank it all at our Christmas party."

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to protect property," he said, "a little could be spared to save our lives."

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FRANCE HAS HER DORANS

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SOME of our very gallant allies, the fliers of the French Armée de l'Air, are not being heard of quite enough in this queer war.

The fault is not theirs.

They have their Dorans too. In fact, the French Government so far has awarded its airmen more than twice as many decorations as our R.A.F. men have received.

Some people believe that the French system of decorations is more truly democratic than the British. In many cases whole crews of French bomber reconnaissance machines are being decorated for working together as a team. The captain, his radio operator, gunners and navigator nearly always receive the same decoration—generally a mention in Army Orders and the Croix de Guerre.

The only time the British show the same impartiality is when they leave whole crews undecorated.

Meet some of the Allied heroes . . . N.C.O. Pilot Pierre Frebilot, Chief Sergeant Pierre Lacaille and Corporal Pierre Martellere are a bomber crew who have all won Army Orders mention and the Croix de Guerre.

The official report says this of them: "A worthy and gallant crew. During a photographic reconnaissance they were attacked at great height by enemy fighters. They fought as they continued to carry out their mission. Although both machine gunners were wounded and one engine put out of action, by skilful manoeuvre and shooting they managed to get back to their base with important information."

N.C.O. Pilot Antoine Mercy has won the Military Medal as well as the Croix de Guerre with Palm. On photographic reconnaissance he was attacked by three Messerschmitts.

The official report says: "Thanks to his sang-froid he succeeded, in spite of grave burns, in bringing his flaming machine back to the French lines, his machine gunner killed at his post. He thus enabled his observer to jump by parachute into French territory with valuable photographs. In these conditions he showed a magnificent spirit of sacrifice worthy of the highest praise." Antoine Mercy's sacrifice was the supreme one.

Then there are the simple, brief mentions like this dozens of them: "Sergeant Pilot Michel Marias, brilliant fighter pilot. He proved his worth on his first flight in action. Attacked by two Messerschmitts, he shot one down and forced the other out of action."

Young Lieutenant Tisserand was on a photographic reconnaissance when his machine was disabled by anti-aircraft fire. Then came three Messerschmitts. Every man in the bomber was wounded. The machine was in flames. It fought its way back to the base. Lieutenant Tisserand saved the photographs.

Nearly 90 per cent. of these gallant fellows for which decorations are being given took place over German territory. The French are taking the initiative.

The fliers of the Armée de l'Air may not be lucky enough to have Spitfires, Hurricanes and Wellington bombers. But they have plenty of that without which all the Spitfires in the world would be useless. They are brave and gay.

The B.A.F. on the Western Front: have worthy comrades to fly with.

Sydney Smith

PRESIDENT IN 1942-6?

U.S. Awaits Decision By Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, March 26 (UP).—Impetus has been given to the possibilities of a third term for President Roosevelt by Mr. Paul McNutt offering an Indiana delegation if the President decides to run.
Hitherto Mr. McNutt has confined himself to the statement that he would not run for the presidency if Mr. Roosevelt was also a candidate.
This new trend into the New Deal's camp will assure Mr. McNutt of either a Cabinet post or a vice-presidency if Mr. Roosevelt does run for a third term.
Meanwhile supporters of Vice-President Garner claim that he is assured of a strong showing against Mr. Roosevelt in the Wisconsin primary elections to be held two weeks hence.
Senator Arthur Vandenberg has indirectly challenged Mr. Thomas Dewey's fitness for the presidency, because of his youth.
"No factor will be more conclusive in November than the Republican Party's ability to write a clear and explicit platform, and to find a seasoned leadership," Senator Vandenberg said.

Farmers' Big Effort

Millions Of Extra Arable Acres Ready

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—The Government scheme of grants to farmers who plough additional land to increase the food supply and thus release tonnage needed for the import of other war supplies is stated to have had gratifying results.
The "News Chronicle" says: "Farmers have laboured like Trojans to make a success of the ploughing campaign. If the weather is reasonably good during the next few weeks, they will probably be able to complete the programme of two million extra arable acres in addition to the 11 million acres they would have ploughed in any case."

ALLIES' HUGE PURCHASES

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Allies have already placed orders in the United States exceeding \$150,000,000, according to Sir Louis Beale, a member of the Anglo-French Purchasing Board, speaking at a luncheon given by the Export Managers' Club.
Sir Louis Beale said that the Anglo-French Purchasing Committee had received the almost complete order for the purchase of American goods. Not a single attempt to take advantage of the Allies' urgent needs had been encountered.

U.S. PLANES FOR THE ALLIES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—One reason for the reported change in the United States' plane selling policy is believed to be due to reports reaching Washington regarding the production of German planes.
In some official quarters the German production is said to be 3,000 monthly with a prediction of a rapid increase to 6,000 monthly.
While some experts consider these figures ludicrously high, the reports appear to be stimulating the United States to ensure that America shall play a part in the building up of the Allies' air strength.

Red Cross Fund Now Totals £1,260,000

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John Fund for the sick and wounded in the war now stands at £1,260,000, representing an increase of £18,000 over the Easter holidays.
The Secretary of State for India has forwarded £7,500, representing the sterling equivalent of two sums of 60,000 rupees contributed by the states of Dhar and Barwani for seven ambulances.

HUNGARY TO DROP HER BALKAN CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 26 (UP).—In a front page interview with the afternoon newspaper "La Tribuna," Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, hinted that Hungary has momentarily dropped her revisionist claims against the Balkan countries in view of the international situation.

Count Teleki, however, refused to comment regarding Hungarian-Rumanian relations.
Referring to his visit to Rome, Count Teleki said that in view of the critical situation in Europe he wants to exchange views with friendly nations.

Teleki Talks With Il Duce

ROME, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—A communiqué issued after the meeting between Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, and Signor Mussolini states that the conversation resulted in a proposal for working out further collaboration between the two countries.

British Loan To Spain

To Assist Work Of Reconstruction

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The loan agreement between the United Kingdom and the Spanish Government, published to-day, refers to the United Kingdom's desire to assist the Spanish Government in promotion of reconstruction work.

The United Kingdom Government will undertake to advance to the Spanish Government a sum not exceeding £2,000,000, to be paid into a sterling current account.
4½ Per Cent. Interest
The Spanish Government will undertake to pay the United Kingdom interest in sterling at the rate of four and a half per cent. per annum on the sums advanced and will repay the whole loan in 20 half-yearly instalments beginning on June 30, 1942.

The Trade and Payments agreement, the text of which is also published, will come into force on April 1.
Normalising Friendship
LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Anglo-Spanish agreement on clearing arrangements has been re-established by a Trade and Payments agreement. "Reuters" learns that the occasion for the inauguration of the Loan Agreement is regarded in official quarters as a commencement of a period in which friendly and economic relations between the two countries have been placed on a normal basis.
The agreement is regarded as dovetailing into the Anglo-Spanish war trade agreement which, it is hoped, will be merely the beginning of a much more considerable volume of trade between the two countries whose economic conditions are in many respects complementary.

Test For New Explosive

Expert's Successful Demonstration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MIDDLEBURY, MARYLAND, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. Lester Barlow, the explosive expert, to-day gave the first public demonstration of his liquid oxygen explosive.
He detonated an 8-ounce charge behind a log, and chunks of timber weighing twelve pounds were hurled as high as 150 feet.

Also he demonstrated that the explosive cannot be detonated by flames, rifle bullets or in being dropped from the air.
Cheaper Than T.N.T.
A 5-pound charge was fired in a steel shell from a cannon at point blank range against a steel barricade. It did not explode. The same charge was then detonated electrically in a sand-bagged dugout. It ripped the sand-bags to pieces and scattered them in all directions.
The explosive costs 4½ cents per pound as compared with the "peace-time" price of 22 cents per pound for T.N.T.

Army observers said the tests proved the safety features, rather than the power, of the explosive. However, the power will probably be larger in later charges.

STOCK EXCHANGE HAS QUIET DAY

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day markets were quiet. There was little activity in any group except home rails which were higher on reports of large Eastern holiday traffic.
Indian Government stocks tended to harden. Elsewhere, movements were very small.
Wall Street was steady.

British Subjects Repatriated

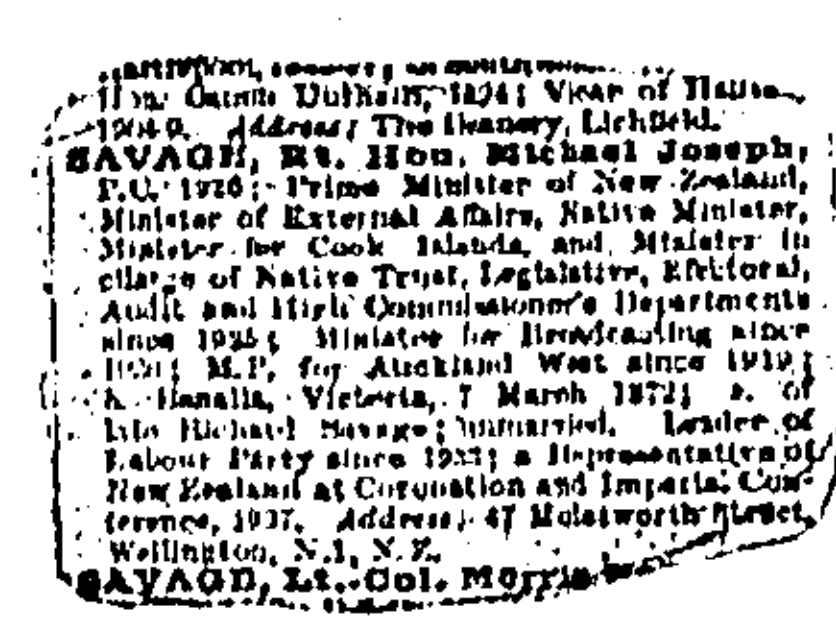
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No Sensational Results

ROME, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, had a long interview with Signor Mussolini to-day. In an interview with the "Tribuna" later Count Teleki declared that all who expected sensational results from the talks were mistaken. He added that he had come to Rome for an exchange of views.



—From who's who

N. ZEALAND PREMIER SUCCUMBS

WELLINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Rt. Hon. Mr. M. J. Savage, New Zealand's first Socialist Prime Minister, is dead.

Death occurred in Wellington to-night after a long illness which became acute a week ago. The Rt. Hon. Mr. Savage, who was born in Bendigo (Victoria) in 1872—he celebrated his 68th birthday on March 7—was a bachelor.
His administration was responsible for introducing far-reaching social legislation when it came into office four years ago.
It is thought that the N. Z. Labour Party will elect the Hon. Mr. P. Fraser to succeed Mr. Savage as Premier. Since Mr. Savage's illness, Mr. Fraser has been Acting Prime Minister.

London's Profound Regret
LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—News of the death of Mr. M. J. Savage, the New Zealand Prime Minister, has been received in London with the greatest regret. Mr. Savage was 68 and had been ill for some time.

At the outbreak of war, he was recovering from a severe abdominal operation, but he did not spare himself in the weeks that followed in order to bring the whole-hearted support of New Zealand to the Empire cause.
Mr. Savage attended the coronation of King George in 1937.
Newspapers here review his work as head of the Labour Government responsible for a number of important social measures, and pay tribute to his high standard of public duty and his personal character.

Historic Broadcast
The broadcast he made to the New Zealand people on the outbreak of war is recalled. In this Mr. Savage declared: "Not a moment too soon have Britain and France taken up arms against so faithless and unscrupulous an adversary. We are fighting a doctrine that springs from contempt for human nature, and in confidence for the future we place ourselves without reserve beside Britain. Where she goes we go. Where she stands we stand."

STERLING FLOPS IN NEW YORK

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Showing the effect of the British Government's decree restricting the use of a free market for sterling in international trade, the pound plunged to a new 8-year low level on the New York Foreign Exchange market to-day.
United States steel Corporation to-day declared a dollar dividend on the common stock payable on April 26—the first dividend to be paid in three years.

Heavy Selling
New York, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Sterling tumbled to-day on an entirely sellers market in which selling orders during the holidays accumulated to a degree far beyond the capacity for the New York market to absorb at the prevailing rates.

Moreover hanging over the market was the spectre of a further regulation affecting sterling and other currencies which, it is felt, will curtail the demand for free sterling.
Meanwhile, fresh news of the tightening of sterling control came from Sweden to-day, and there were also many rumours of pending measures by other countries.
The franc and other sterling currencies abruptly declined while Canadian dollars were easy, though it was pointed out that their movement was more or less independent.

Dominions Pilots In Sylt Raid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—The Air Ministry reveals that 28 pilots from the Dominions participated in the great raid on the Nazi base at Sylt last week.
Fourteen leading and second pilots came from the Canadian Air Force, while seven each were members of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Gallantry Award
LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—Squadron Leader Turner, one of two officers awarded the D.F.C. for gallantry during the Sylt operations, was born at Roseau in Dominica.

A "gazette" notice states that Turner displayed great determination and ability in attacking enemy hangars in spite of heavy small arm and heavy artillery fire which surrounded his aircraft, and he calmly and accurately completed his task.

TEHERAN, Mar. 26 (UP).—A treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Soviet Russia and Iran was signed to-day.

Danish Ship Torpedoed

U-Boat Action Causes Death Roll Of 13

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—It has been revealed that the Danish ship Britta (1,146 tons) was torpedoed by a U-boat in the Atlantic on Monday.

The ship was in ballast en route to a British port from Denmark when an explosion shook her from bow to stern, after which she sank almost immediately.
Thirteen lives were lost and five survivors have been landed at a port in northwest Scotland to-day.

Dutch Crew Rescued
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—A British warship found eight members of the crew of a Dutch trawler on a raft and took them to an English port. Three members of the crew are missing.
The cause of the loss of the trawler is not yet known.

Brilliant Rescue
LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The latest neutral victim of Nazi warfare is the Danish ship, Britta, which was torpedoed in the Atlantic on Monday.

Five survivors have reached Britain. Their lives were saved by a brilliant rescue by a nearby ship whose name is not revealed.
A life-boat was sent out but it capsized in the heavy seas. The crew righted the boat, clambered back and made their way to the sinking Britta.
They took off six men, but one was swept aboard and was lost.

The life-boat made a second trip but the Britta had gone. Nothing was left save two empty rafts.

Attacked Four Times

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—When the Norwegian ship, Faneffell, arrived at a Norwegian port on Monday, her crew described how, during the past month, their ship was attacked four times by German bombers and once by a U-boat.
They escaped each time.
The crew also saw an attack last week by several Nazi bombs on another Norwegian ship, Svinta, which was sunk.

Premier And The T.U.C.

Explains A Recent Statement

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—In a letter to the correspondent who complained of the nature of the reply given to the T.U.C. deputation on the Trades Act, the Prime Minister intended to suggest that amendment or repeal of the Act, on which Mr. Chamberlain says he knows that the Unions feel most strongly, would depend on how the T.U.C. movement acted during the war.

The Prime Minister says that he told the deputation that "everyone recognised the magnitude of the contribution the T.U.C. movement is making to the national war effort, and this recognition will undoubtedly lend support to the case which the Trade Unionists may wish to put forward after the war."

See Phenomenon For First Time

Strange Effects Of The Aurora Borealis

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Sunspot electrical disturbances which created a temporary havoc among radio waves have resulted in the Aurora Borealis and Aurora Australis being seen in regions which have seldom, if ever, seen them.
Italy and Bulgaria can both see the northern lights while the Orange Free State can see the red glow of the southern lights.

This is very rare, says Dr. Wood, the Union astronomer.
In England, the main effect has been very high spring tides. Many walkers on the Thames tow path were cut off by the tide and had to wade to safety.

A cripple in a bath chair was marooned and had to be rescued by boatmen.

CAUTIOUS PRAISE

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are made over England, many enemy aircraft must be expected to get through, and there is no inclination on the part of the authorities here, as there is in Germany, to persuade the public that air defences are invulnerable. There is confidence in the belief that the free British public will preserve its morale, should civilian bombing occur, much better than a population long subjected to an authoritarian regime.
The R.A.F. may be expected to deal faithfully with a high percentage of raiding aircraft, and it is not doubted that the British people will steel themselves to endure any frightful persecution in the certain knowledge that the retaliation will be swift and sure.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—A French company on behalf of the French Government has contracted with several Rumanian Oil Companies to deliver 200,000 tons of petrol during the coming months.

VOTING IN BLIZZARD

Foul Weather For Canada's Election

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (UP).—Polling in Canada's war elections opened in the worst blizzard the Dominion has experienced in years.

Betting is 7-5 that Mr. Mackenzie King's Liberal Government will remain in office.
The Conservatives are also handicapped by the blizzards, which have cut off centres which are normally regarded as their stronghold. Prince Edward Island is completely snow-bound and rural areas in New Brunswick and Quebec are almost isolated.

Important Soldiers' Vote
The soldiers' vote is expected to be an important factor in the elections. Soldiers in camp in England commenced voting last week and the results will be flashed to Canada by cable to-night.

Considerable delays are expected in obtaining all votes, however, and it is not expected that the complete results of the elections will be announced until April 2.

Canada Goes To Polls
OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—Average to heavy balloting is generally reported in to-day's election.

Owing to the death of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Willie Polson, polling in Three Rivers, Quebec, is postponed pending the nomination of a new candidate.
The only leading member of any party making any prediction of the election result was Mr. G. C. Foweraker, the Postmaster General of Quebec, who conceded a maximum of 65 seats to the Conservative Opposition. Of these 40 might be won in Ontario.

Hinted Triple Alliance Is Ridiculed

Belgian Press Comment

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—The Brussels paper "Dag" says to-day: "We do not believe it possible that there will be a Berlin, Rome and Moscow front, although nowadays almost anything is possible."
"Our reason for believing this is that any Dictator has to reckon with his people's opinion, and nobody will make us believe that the Italian people are ready for the adventures of serving German and Russian interests even if they first appear to serve Italian interests too."

Nazi "Discretion"
The paper "Peuple," commenting on the latest sinking of German ships by British submarines, writes: "Goebbels' service has not judged it opportune to communicate these events to the German public. This discretion confirms two things: (1) an abyss separates the German people from its Nazi governors whose relations resemble those of a gaoler and prisoners and (2) the Reich does not dare inform the public of reverses and consequently has only limited confidence in the solidity of the people's morale."

The "Springfield Republican" on March 24 said: "The two way fortification of the Brenner Pass, which is now going on, shows that these totalitarians are not just one big family." The paper further inquired: "What are the young Germans and Italians who have already been schooled in the sacredness of the anti-Communist Alliance to be taught about Communism?"

NAZI EXPEL NEWSMAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ZURICH, Mar. 26 (UP).—Dr. J. C. Meyer, Berlin Correspondent of the Zurich "Zeitung," has been expelled from Germany.
The reason for the expulsion is not stated. The news came as a great surprise in Zurich, because Dr. Meyer has resided for many years in Berlin, and was well known for his objective methods of reporting.

WELLINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuters).—By 821 votes to 104, the New Zealand Labour Party endorsed the statement outlined by the Party on February 21.

CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

There's nothing so wearing for a mother as a child who won't eat well. Usually such a child is the "nervy" highly-strung type. He picks at his food, looks pale and loses weight.

Coaxing won't improve matters. Child specialists everywhere recommend Horlicks for these "nervy" children with faded appetites.

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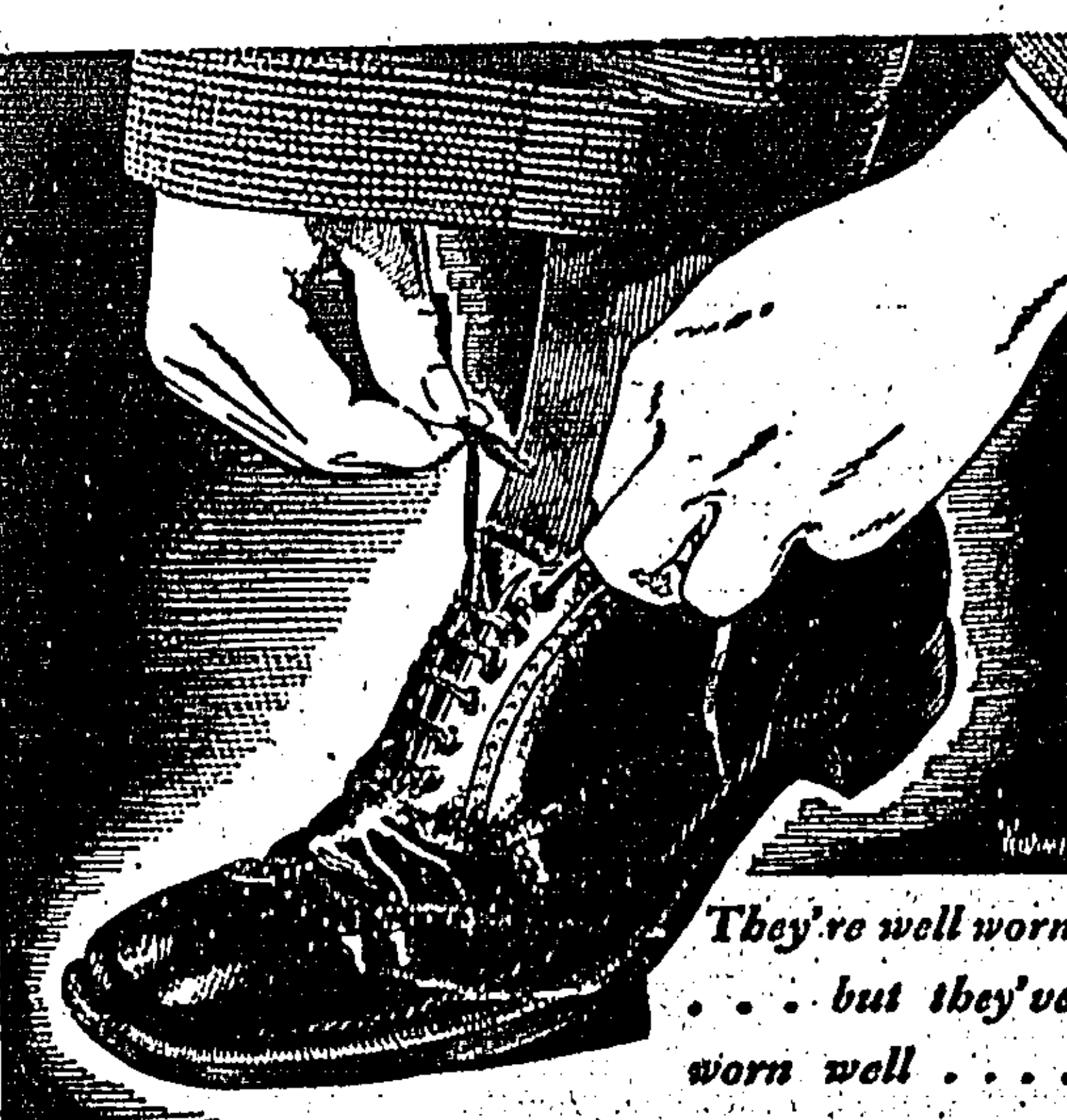
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Around The Courses

SARAZEN — THE OUTSTANDING PLAYER OF PAST DECADE

His Brilliant Career Began in 1922
S. V. Gittins Wins Country Club Captain's Cup

(By "Birdie")

REVIEWING THE PAST DECADE of golf, an American sports authority has given to Gene Sarazen the position of honour for the 'Thirties—the outstanding golfer of the decade, though accurately speaking the latter player's finest effort, that of winning the British and American Open and Amateur Championships, was in 1930.

Sarazen can claim no record as brilliant as that, but his successes over the years since he first began storming championship heights is one that allows every justification for the (unofficial) honour that has been bestowed upon him. His best years, perhaps, were 1931-32-33. He established a record in the British Open in 1932 with a winning score of 283, though this figure has twice been equalled since; in 1934 by Henry Cotton, and in 1935 by Percy Alliss, both of whom were winners.

Sarazen, his first name is Eugene, was born at Harrison, New York in 1902, and began his golf career as a caddy at the age of eight. His first professional appointment was in 1921, and his first essay at the American Open was in 1920, when he qualified third, but finished 30th in the competition proper. He came back strongly the next year—at the age of 20—and won the U.S. Open. In the same year he won the U.S. Professional tournament.

His successes are best seen in tabulation:

AMERICAN OPEN

1922 and 1932.—winner, with scores of 288 and 286 respectively. He was runner-up in 1934 (there being one stroke difference).

U.S. PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1922-23-33.—winner. Runner-up in 1930.

BRITISH OPEN

1932.—winner with record score of 283. He was second in 1920, third in 1931 (tied with Percy Alliss with

200), third in 1933 (one stroke behind the winner), and fourth in 1930.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

1930.—winner with 282.

U.S.A. v. G.T. BRITAIN (PROFESSIONAL)

He represented the United States Professionals against Great Britain in 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935 and 1937.

OTHER SUCCESSES

Metropolitan Championship winner in 1925.

North of England Professional Champion in 1923.

Metropolitan P.G.A. Tournament winner.

He has been the only man to have ever won the three largest money prize tournaments in America. These were the Miami Biltmore Professional Tournament, the Agua Caliente Mexico Tournament, and the La Gorce Tournament.

This great man passed through the Colony "A" year or so ago, and it was regrettable then as now that he was unable to play. There was, I believe, some trouble over the financial arrangements. When he was here I met him on board the ship, and a more pleasant fellow to talk to could hardly be met. He has a genial but determined face, and can be seen from the picture elsewhere on this page. He is comparatively short in stature, but has a pair of the most powerful hands and arms I have ever seen.

HAVING conferred honour on Sarazen, listen to the honour that has been done Bing Crosby, the crooning film star. The Professional Golfers Association of America have recently awarded him a life membership—a distinction that is seldom an amateur's. The award was in recognition of the singer-sportsman's interest in golf, and the professionals who earn a living in it.

THE Junior Champion of the Country Club, Sheungshui—S. V. Gittins—has now won the Captain's Cup competition, having beaten M. de Pina 3 and 1 in the final on Sunday last. Gittins was two down at the end of the first nine (the match was only 18 holes). Following his win in the Junior competition, Gittins' handicap dropped to 14. It looks as though it is going yet lower.

The Easter Cup competition at the same Club was a dismal failure. It is a competition of 72 holes medal play—playable on any days during the Easter holidays. This year, due to the bad weather, there were only five entries—and two of them were women. On the last day of the holidays, when it was obvious that there were not going to be any more entries, it was also obvious that the competition could not be called such, and the few who had entered did not bother their heads any further about cards.

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The Mounted Treasure Hunt organized by the Cottage Club, Fanling, which was postponed from last Saturday due to inclement weather, will be held from the Clubhouse at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 30.



Genial Gene Sarazen, who has been rated in America as the outstanding golfer of the Thirties. This picture was taken in 1932 when he won the British Open Trophy (in his hands)—his smile is that of a record breaker (his score was 283).

Badminton

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES DISAPPOINT

W. Gillies Enters Final Of Junior Singles

(By "Tinker")

MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championship at King's College last night were disappointing, and not up to the standard that was expected. Two matches in the second round of the Doubles Competition were completed, and in the only singles game of the evening, W. Gillies beat P. Wynter-Blyth 15-11, 15-4 to enter the final of the Junior Championship.

The Doubles scores were:
P. H. Wong and C. Au beat C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin 15-8, 15-5.
K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew beat F. Koh and C. Y. Yung 18-14, 15-7.

To out-smash the other fellow seemed to be the order of the matches. In the first, Yong and Chew v. Koh and Yung, the game was not won by as wide a margin as anticipated. Yong was definitely "off", but Chew, fortunately for the University pair, was his usual self, and did more than his share in winning points. Koh was the better of the losing pair. Yung, though on occasions he brought off some nice drop shots, was inclined to poach with disastrous results.

SECOND DOUBLES
Wong and Au, the favourites for the doubles title, could hardly be

Hongkong And Macao Ponies Classified

The following is the latest classification of Ponies as issued by the Macao Jockey Club on March 26:

"A" Class Subscription China Ponies—Country Flower, Courcour Bleu, Fairy Auk, Fairy Ousel, Gold Clause, Hogmanay, Hobnobble, Mendow, Eve, Merry Zephyr, Merry Maker, Morning-Tip, Rotheray Day, Shinghai, Victory Life, Wood Nymph, C. Class China Ponies—Claire Star, Double Up, Eagle, Iron Knight, National Triumph, Lightwave.

The Hongkong Jockey Club has made the following alterations and additions to classification lists:

Australian ponies—Drum, Mary Thanks, Springhurst to B Class.

Australian Ponies—Dredon, Centre Court, Fair Chance, Forehand Drive, Franklin, Prince Bridge, Rowan, Snowy River, to C Class.

Helena, Nancy Lee, Piccadilly Jim, to D Class.

Chinese Ponies—Dupont Day, O-Lan, to A Class.

Gay Star, Oongah to B Class.

Blue Field, Blue Gate, Emergency Unit, Musketeer, Oak Day, Oibway, Charming, Rose Evelyn, Rose Fiana, Rose Perfect, to C Class.

Valorous to D Class.

LINCOLNSHIRE AND NATIONAL CALLS-OVER

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following are the latest calls-over for the Lincolnshire and the Grand National:

LINCOLNSHIRE

7/1 Titan (o. 8/1 taken).
9/1 Quarter Maltro (t. and o.)
9/1 Womersley (o)
100/9 Time Step (o)
100/7 Aldine (o)
100/7 Ticeclari (o)
100/6 Golden Sovereign (o)
18/1 Boonps-a-daisy (o)

GRAND NATIONAL

9/1 The Professor (o. 10/1 taken)
100/9 Kilstar (t. and o.)
100/8 Macmoffat (t. and o.)
25/1 Inversible (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Underbid (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Venturesome Knight (o. 33/1 t.)

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following were the results of Home football matches played to-day:

MIDLAND

Birmingham 5 Luton 4
Northampton 2 Coventry 1
West Brom. 5 Leicester 1

EAST-MIDLAND

Notts F. 4 Sheffield U. 1
Rotherham 3 Doncaster 1

NORTH-EASTERN

Bradford C. 3 Newcastle 1
Darlington 2 Halifax 1

OTHER MATCHES

Huddersfield 2 Burnley 1
Barnsley 3 Grimsby 0

Rugby Games

The following were the results of Rugby Union matches:

Bridgend 11 Swansea 14
Newport 12 Weston-super-Mare 0

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE

Bramley 6 Hull 32
Huddersfield 16 Featherstone 6
Leeds 4 Castleford 10

Cricket

R. ENGINEERS BEATEN BY 170 RUNS

Comb'd. Small Units Win Large Units Final

SURPASSING the Royal Engineers in batting and bowling, Combined Small Units won the Cup of the Large Units (Army) Cricket Competition at Sookunpoo yesterday when they scored 233 runs to the Engineers' 83 in the final game.

Bowling for the winners, Young captured seven wickets for seven runs in six overs, which included two maidens. Blount took two for 16 runs. Fielding was also of a high standard and some brilliant catches were made.

HIGH SCORERS

Highest scorer for Combined Small Units was Webb, who was run out at 85. Logan contributed 48 and Emberson 37.

Shipp and Wilkinson scored 21 and 20 respectively for the Royal Engineers. Bowling 10 overs each, Megson obtained four wickets for 34 runs and Denyer took three for 48.

At the conclusion of the game, Brigadier T. McLeod presented the Cup and congratulated the winners. The detailed scores were:

COMBINED SMALL UNITS
Gardner, lb.w. Megson 11
Logan, c Shipp b Parsons 48
Murphy b Denyer 37
Webb, run out 85
Lawrence, c Megson b Shipp 1
Harvey, run out 23
Blount, b Denyer 16
Emberson, c Bailey b Megson 37
Woodcock, c Ratcliffe b Megson 20
Young, not out 20
Extras 23
Total 233

ROYAL ENGINEERS
Wilkinson, lb.w. Young 20
Freeman, b Harvey 21
Shipp, c Webb b Young 21
Ratcliffe, c Murphy b Blount 4
Grose, c Murphy b Young 1
Shaw, b Young 1
Denyer, c Murphy b Blount 1
Bailey, lb.w. Blount 0
Belham, not out 0
Megson, b Young 0

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First Round Matches For Adamson Cup

Semi-Final Results Of Fanling Mixed Foursomes

The following were the results in the first round of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Adamson Cup Competition held at Happy Valley:

S. T. Butler (12) received a bye into second round; G. E. Williamson (12) received a walk-over from E. J. MacFarlane (12) beat J. J. Price (9) four and three; G. W. Reeve (12) beat A. J. MacFarlane (12) four and three; D. S. Edwards (9) beat E. Truck (14) six and five; W. W. C. Shawan (7) received a bye into second round.

Mixed Foursomes

The semi-finals of the Mixed Foursomes competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for L. A. R. and Mrs. Duncan over L. Cdr. and Mrs. Linton by five and four, and for E. J. R. and Mrs. Mitchell over Major and Mrs. Williams by one up.

Parsons, b Young 0
Extras 21
Total 21

Bowling Analysis
O. M. R. W.
Harvey 4 23 1
Murphy 4 18 2
Mount 4 15 3
Young 4 9 7

Colony Tennis

H. D. RUMJAHN AND O. UMETANI IN QUARTER-FINALS

O. UMETANI, former ranking Japanese hardcourts tennis player, advanced into the quarter-finals of the Colony Open Singles tennis championship yesterday when he beat J. S. Theobald 6-4, 6-1. H. D. Rumjahn was the other singles player to enter the same round yesterday, when he overcame Marsland Ma 6-1, 6-1.

Umetani and H. D. Rumjahn meet to-day, and one of the best games of the tournament is anticipated. Theobald was hard-hitting, and though mastered by a superior opponent, gave an entertaining exhibition to the spectators. He succeeded in taking the second, fifth and sixth games of the first set, but in the second set Umetani was considerably more confident, and took five games in a row before winning the match in the seventh.

Rumjahn had little difficulty in disposing of Marsland Ma, but in doing so showed up as strong and as accurate as of old.

To-day's Programme

OPEN SINGLES
H. D. Rumjahn v. O. Umetani
S. A. Rumjahn v. J. W. Leeward

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
T. C. Monaghan v. B. C. Fay

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th April, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 28th March, 1940.
By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Challenge Shield Competition Finals
Saturday, March 30

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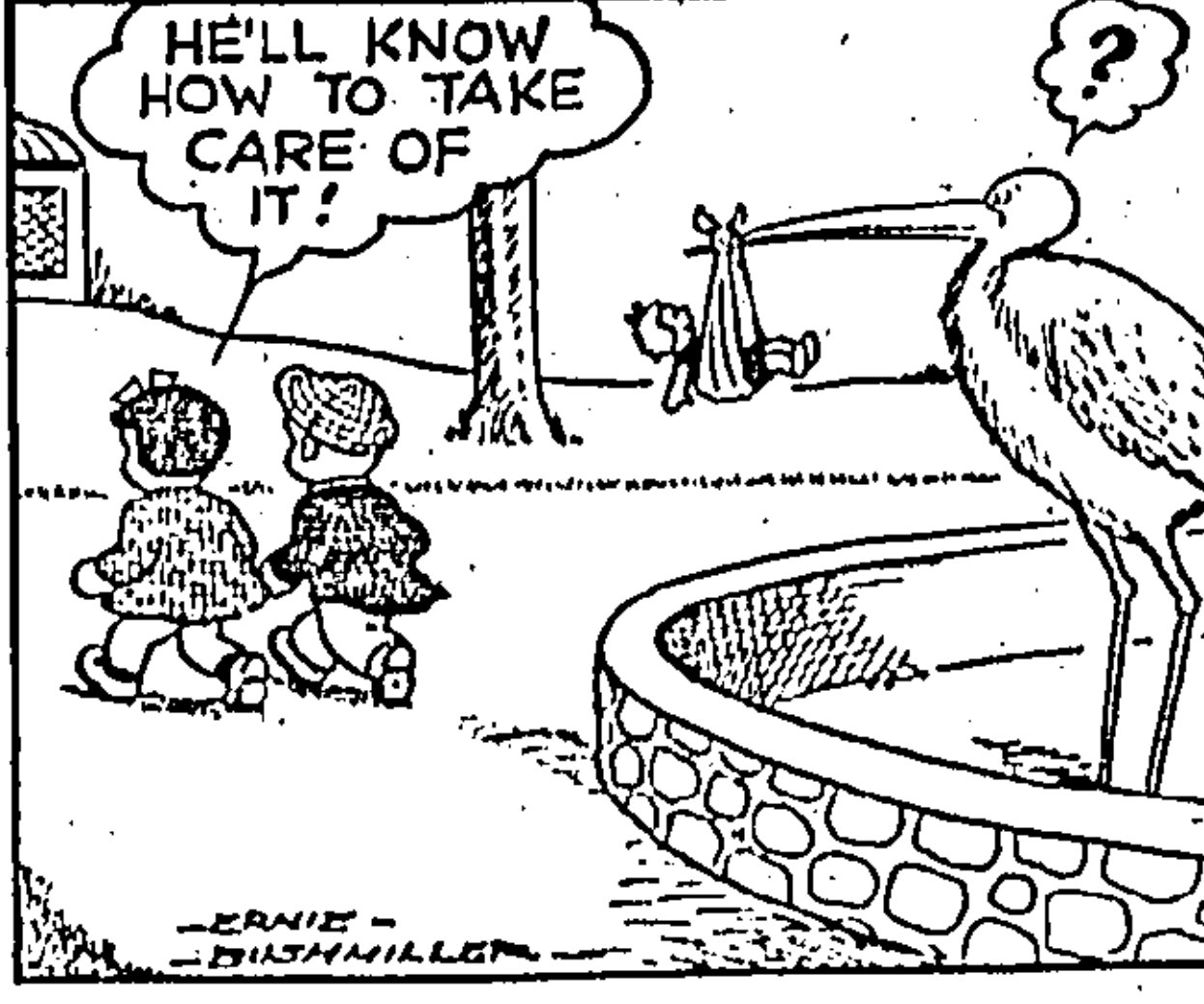
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The village mother.
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Mourning (Faderewski).
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Ave Maria. (Bach-Gounod).
B8392—Childhood Memories London Palladium Orch.
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B3543—Auld Lang syne Peter Dawson.
B3527—My dream. Waltz Marek Weber & Orch.
Siren magic.

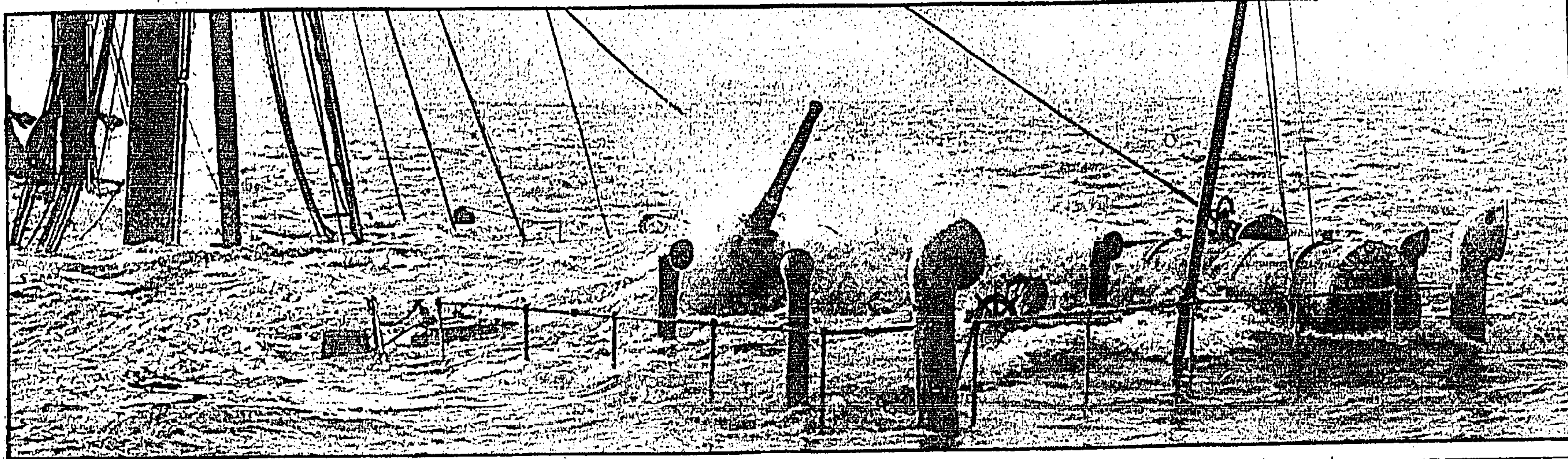
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The Man Who Thought
He Had Lost Everything

Leaves £129,000
30,960,000 Pennies
From Slot Machines

WEALTH came to Oliver Dalton, owner of Brighton's Palace Pier, from pennies that went into slot machines. He died, leaving a fortune of £129,000—over thirty million pennies.

Yet, when he turned on the gas tap and died in the kitchen of his luxurious home last October, he thought he was a ruined man. For a few days previously he had told a friend: "I am broke. I haven't a penny in the world. All they can take is my furniture."

Ollie, as he was popularly known from Brighton to Atlantic City and back to Dieppe, was one of Brighton's three wealthiest public men. But for a year before his death at 60 his health had been failing and he had two nervous breakdowns.

There's
a Boom
In
Tattooing

THE war has brought prosperity to tattooists.

Initials of wife or sweet-heart or mother enclosed in a heart used to be the usual formula, but this has now given place to a series of more intricate designs.

Soldiers have the initials intertwined with the badge of their regiment; sailors prefer an anchor as the frame for their initials; while airmen have them set between wings.

"But it isn't only love-tokens that we are doing now," said Mr. G. Burchett, who has been tattooing for 30 years. "It is identification marks of one sort or another."

"Young men just called up want to be identified on their own skins. You'd be surprised at the things I have done."

"I've only just finished tattooing the number of a man's blood-group on his arm; he's a registered blood donor. And I've two sailors waiting now: one of them wants just the regular love design—a half-crown job—but the other wants the Crucifixion reproduced on his chest."

"Many foreigners ask me to tattoo names that I never heard of before, and words I don't know the meaning

The war, which brought the season on the Palace Pier to an abrupt end and compelled him to dismiss old servants, preyed on his mind.

Some of these servants he has remembered in his £129,000 will published recently.

Sold Papers at 10

At ten years of age this slot machine king sold newspapers in the streets of Brighton.

"After my paper-selling days," he once told a reporter, "I scraped and saved and became interested in bathing machines on Brighton beach. Then, with the money I made, I bought a few automatic machines and put them on the pier."

He made frequent trips to Atlantic City and brought back novel attractions and new machines for the pier, which was his great interest in life.

He was one of the first to introduce fruit machines in Brighton.

And the man who made his fortune from the slot machine pennies of the public was always willing to help those in need.

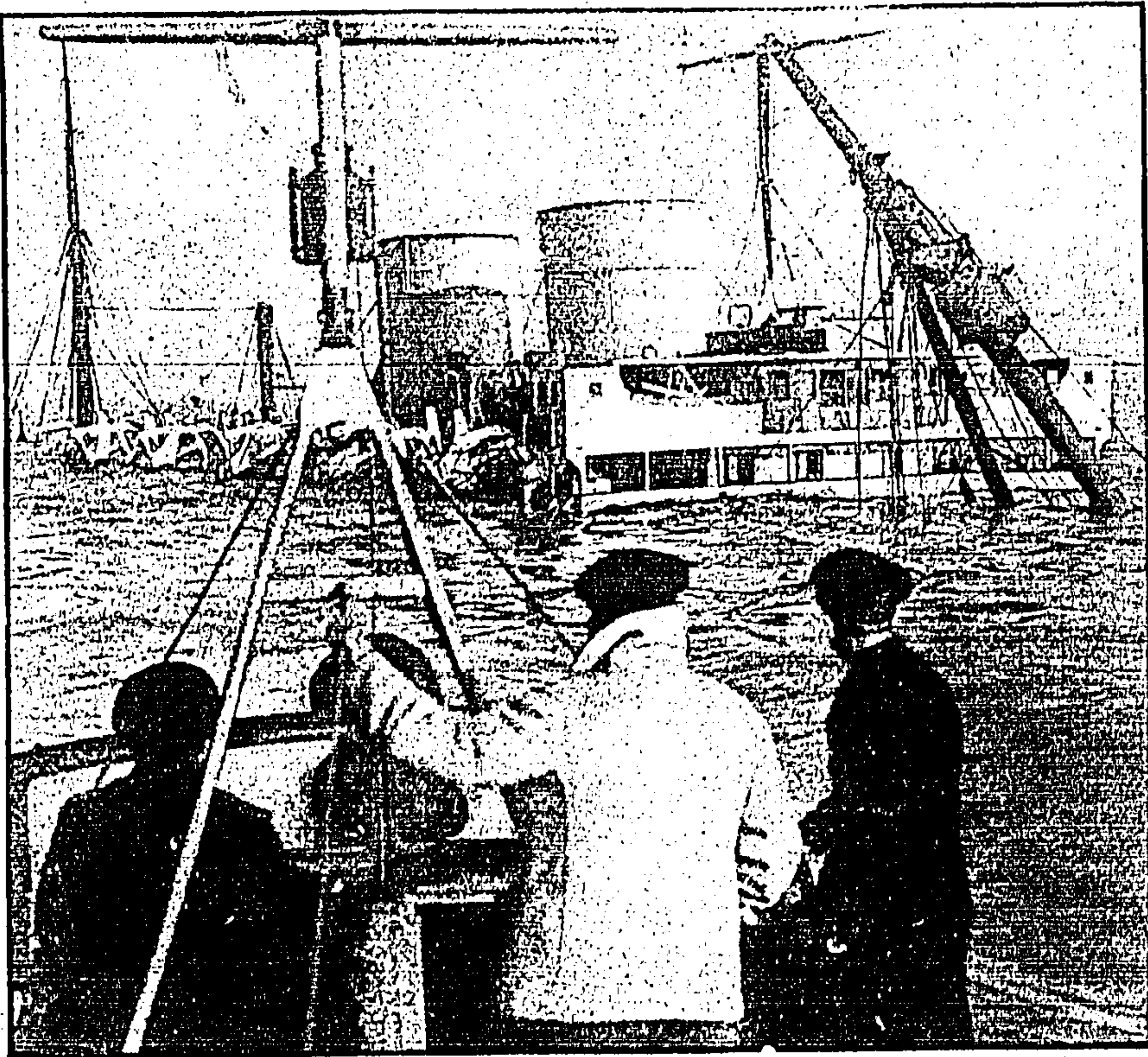
METALLURGY PRIZE

Tokyo, Mar. 26. Sir Harold Carpenter, well-known British metallurgist and Professor of Metallurgy at the Royal School of Mines, has been chosen as the winner of the "Honda Prize" by the Japan Metallurgy Society.

Candidates for the prize have been recommended by Japan, Sweden, the United States, Germany and Britain. Sir Harold will be the first foreigner to receive the prize, which consists of a gold cup and Yen 3,000—Domet.

Others want what I should call unsuitable things tattooed: 'To Hell with Hitler' and 'I hate Germany' and things like that.

"We try to persuade them not to have them done, but if they insist, well, the customer is always right!"

WHEELED TO BATHS THEN
WON A CERTIFICATE

AS President Roosevelt conquered infantile paralysis, so Valerie Hoopes, eight-year-old English girl, has saved herself from being a cripple for life—by will-power and swimming.

Valerie said: "I am going to write to Mr. Roosevelt to tell him about my cure."

Two years ago one of Valerie's legs was so twisted that the heel was where the toes should have been. She was put under the care of Mr. John Bastow, surgeon of the Bath Orthopaedic Hospital.

Valerie never lost her smile as she was wheeled about in an invalid chair.

Then one day last summer, as she was being wheeled past Trowbridge's new £10,000 swimming pool, she turned to her mother and said: "Please, mummy, may I have a swim?"

Mrs. Hoopes, astonished by the request,

involuntarily replied: "No, dear, of course not."

But Valerie begged so hard that the matter was put to doctors, who decided to let Valerie have her way.

The plaster was cut off, and Valerie was wheeled to the baths. Mr. Ettles, the instructor, took great trouble with this little crippled girl, and was amazed at the ease with which she learned to swim. AND GRADUALLY THE TWISTED LEG WAS SEEN TO BE REGAINING A NORMAL POSITION.

Doctors and Valerie's parents were further astonished when they saw the child swim fifty yards to win a certificate.

But there was better news last week, Valerie was to have undergone a big operation, but so successful has been the swimming cure that she can now walk normally; and it has been decided that the operation will never be necessary.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Ambrose and His Orchestra in Dance Music.

1.20 Reginald Dixon's Organ "Hills."

1.30 Reuter—and Rugby—Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Boccherini—Concerto in B Flat Major—Pau Casals (Cello) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Rossini—Overture "Semi-ramide"—Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

6.14 Songs by Oscar Natuske (Bass).

The Song of Hyacinth The Cretan, with Orchestra, Hear Me Ye Winds and Waves, with Organ accompaniment.

The Village Blacksmith, with Orchestra.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Schubert—Sonata in A Minor for Cello and Piano, Emanuel Feuermann (Cello) and Gerald Moore (Piano); Schubert Waltzes, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

7.00 Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra—Serenade, The Maidens of Cadiz, Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; An Evening with Lizzy, Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Tales From The Vienna Woods, Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; Faust—Selection, Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The New Zealand Symphony Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 An English Programme—Tom Jones—Selection, Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards, cond. by Capt. George Miller; One Kind Word, I Still Love Mary, The Hon. W. Browning (Baritone) with Orchestra; London Bridge March, New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; The Children's Home, Catherine Stewart (Contralto) with Berkeley Mason at the Organ; Two Symphonies—Rhapsodies—1. I Pledge My Lonely Caravan, 2. Bird Song at Eventide; and You Singing, New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; Music of the Night, John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accompaniment by Edwin Schneider; The Rose, The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream.

8.45 Studio—"Some Great Authors"—5. Macaulay—The fifth of a series of talks by Father Ryan, S.J.

9.05 Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone)—The Devout Lover, with Piano accompaniment; The Shade of the Palm, Star of My Soul, with Orchestra accompaniment.

9.30 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Talk on "The Voice of the Nazi" recorded by Professor W. A. Sinfair.

9.45 Reginald Foort at the Organ.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

A Daily Feature For Naval Reservists

NEWS HAS just been received in Hongkong of a severe cyclone which swept North Queensland last month, causing heavy damage to several towns.

Townsville was the chief sufferer. Although the damage done to private property in the city was not comparable with the havoc wrought by the Leontia cyclone of 1903, and no loss of life resulted, the city spent an anxious and terrifying night.

The most extensive damage at Townsville occurred on the beach, where three open sea baths were destroyed and Anzac Memorial Park was so badly overrun by angry seas that it was reduced to a shambles. The new sea wall was washed away. High flood waters in Ross River, backed up by the fast-driven tides, caused the river to break its banks in several places, with the result that Hermit Park and the low sections of Railway Estate were isolated from the city by flood waters. Several families were rowed to safety.

The more exposed sections of Stanion and Melton Hills, Townsville's residential areas, were subjected to a severe buffeting. The Sea View Private Hospital was one of the chief losers.

Mamelle Island and Palm Island were severely buffeted. Reports from other parts of the affected area.

INGHAM: Received full force of the blow and scarcely a householder escaped damage. His property, the North Hotel, badly battered. Trebonne Hotel totally destroyed. Hospital patients had to be transferred to safety.

CARDWELL: A few cases of de-roofing.

BALINDA: Anxious night, but no damage.

TULLY: Lawson's sawmill badly damaged. Electric light system cut off. Cane damaged.

INNISFAIR: No serious damage. Phyllis Figgins aged 4, sustained fractured arm.

CAIRNS: Very slight damage, but rail services to Gulf country, suspended by floods.

MACKAY: Electric light system suspended and water supply limited to four hours daily owing to breakdown of pumping system. Burdekin overflowed its banks at several points. Mackay had ten inches of rain in 48 hours.

ROSEBY: Sea wall damaged, and old R.A.A.F. shed unroofed, otherwise little damage.

AYR: Damage totalled £2,000, mostly to young cattle. A lifted discoloration of Cum.

HOME HILLS: Burdekin floods caused evacuation of people from low-lying areas.

CLOUDY CLEARING: Completely wrecked. Miners in distressful plight.

V.R.C. DOUBLE

MELBOURNE: Chatsbury and Rivette are favorites for the V.R.C. Autumn double, the Newmarket and Australian Cup. For the sprint, Chatsbury is a couple of points ahead of Rivette, who lost many friends after his poor showing in the Oakleigh Plate. Camellus has firmed. Uncertainly, Unshakable Newmarket weight penalty for his Oakleigh Plate success, which has not yet been announced. That is a slight disadvantage. Rivette is only slightly more popular than Cooranga for the Cup, for which Actor has cashed.

The latest order is—

NEWMARKET HANDICAP

Chatsbury, Rivette, Pure Gold and Trimmer.

Pamellus and Unshakable.

Gold Salute and Rex Felt.

Auric Star, Gold Rod and The Albion.

Magie Star, Hilton, Landlaw and Zonda.

Rivette.

Cooranga.

Pasquant and Seven Fifty.

Alarm, Dark David, Gladstone, Round Up and Tomito.

BAN ON IMPORTS

MELBOURNE—Under the headline, "Crippling France," the Melbourne Herald attacks the Commonwealth Government's policy of restricting imports.

The newspaper says: "The prohibition of imports was imposed with the express objective of conserving dollars, but the list of restrictions includes French goods valued at nearly half our total imports from France."

Since France is a sterling country, the prohibition cannot help to preserve the dollar pool.

"Instead of realising that anything which strengthens France strengthens ourselves, the Government have gone out of their way to take action weakening France's economic position—giving her less credits to purchase war materials which will help Britain win the Empire's war."

NINE DAYS LOST IN FLOOD

Search parties of aboriginal trackers found Henry Cameron, a forty-seven-year-old Scotman, who had been wandering in the scrub-country of Australia's Northern Territory.

Cameron, returning home from a hunting trip, was overtaken by storms which flooded the country, obliterating roads and tracks.

He wandered until he found a telegraph pole, which he climbed, and was shot, hoping that the repair gang would locate him.

When the line-men arrived they found Cameron's track, but lost it in the flood water.

Cameron was delirious with exhaustion when found. In the nine days he had eaten only a small bird which he trapped.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).

Mr. Gladwyn Grant, previously United States Ambassador to Albania, has been nominated Minister to Thailand.

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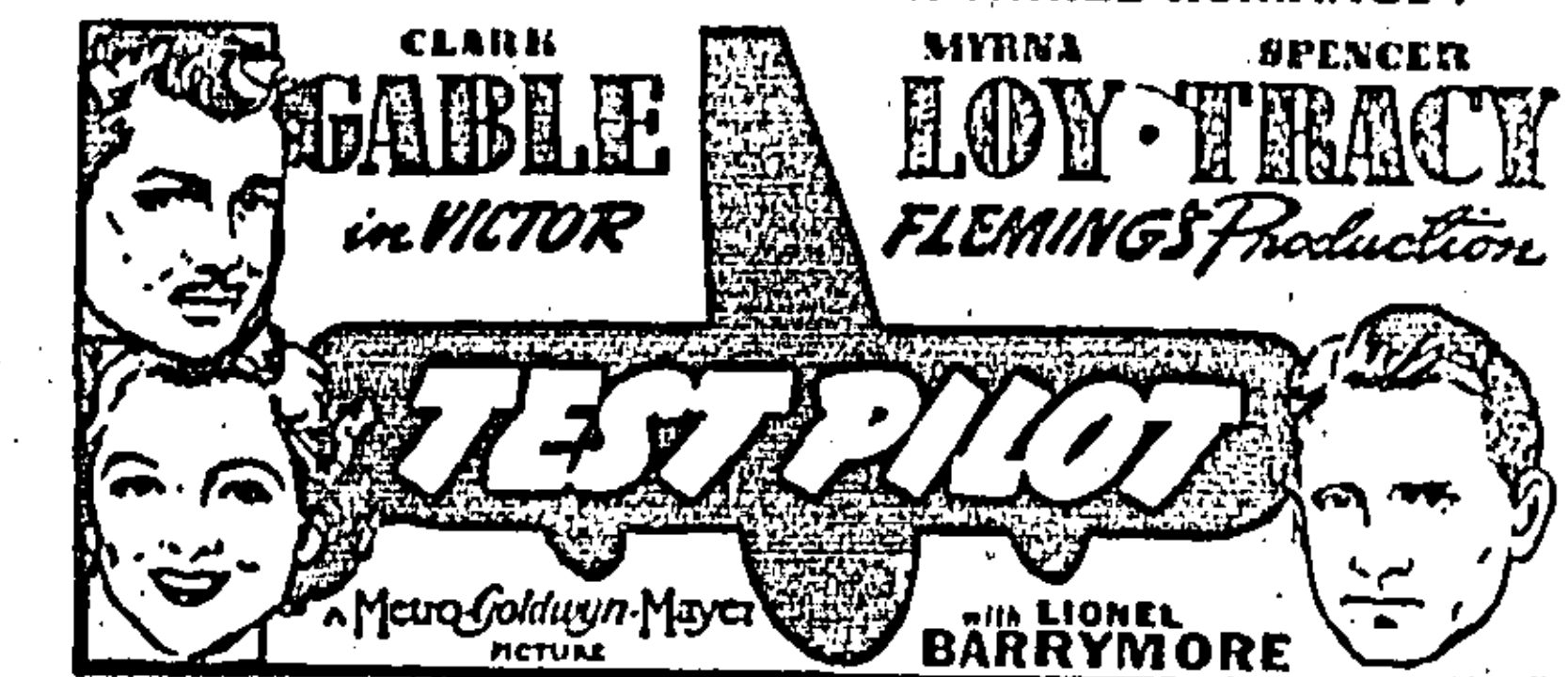
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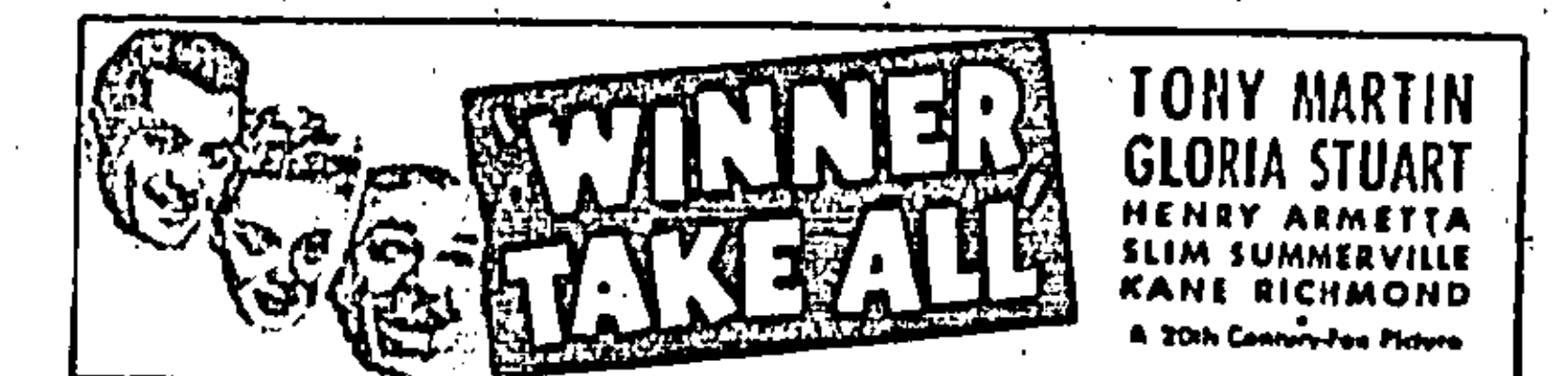
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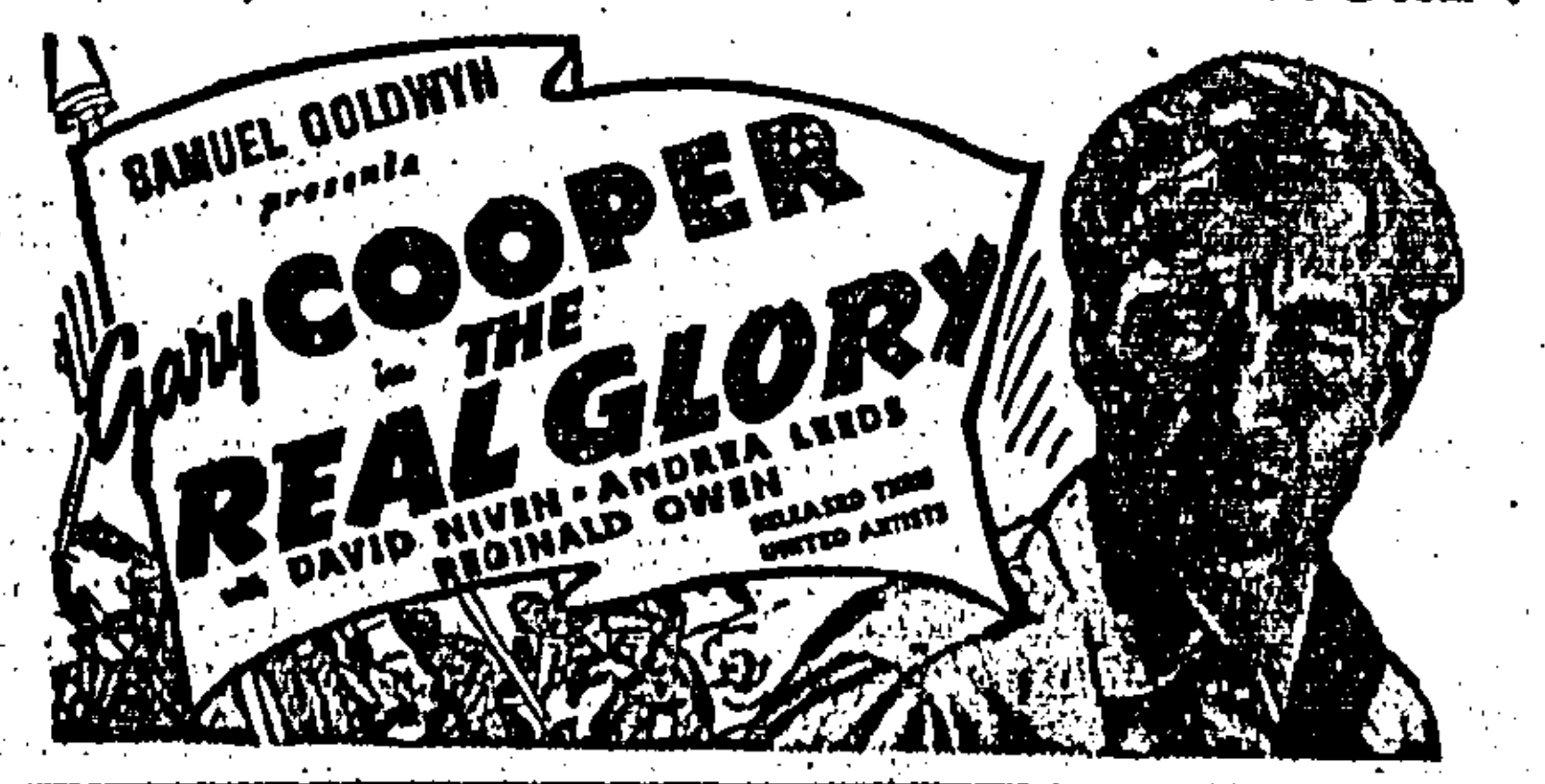
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A WIFE who wrote defamatory letters to her husband, his solicitor, relatives and friends, was sent to jail for a second time by Mr. Justice Simonds in the Chancery Division.



Mrs. Brandon

TOBACCO MAY COST MORE

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A hint that spirits and tobacco would be taxed more severely was given today when a Customs excise order restricted withdrawals of spirits and tobacco from bond to 92½ per cent. of the January figures until after Budget Day on April 23.

FAVOURABLE U.S. TRADE RETURNS

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The value of U.S. exports for February was £86,700,000.

This was £30,700,000 more than the value of imports and the largest difference for over 11 years.

Greece Celebrates Independence Day

ATHENS, Mar. 26 (UP).—Greece celebrated her Independence Day today. The occasion was marked by a review of the Army and members of the Youth Movement, from whom King George II and the Premier, M. Metaxas, took the salute.

S'hai Rugger Player Killed In North Sea

SHANGHAI, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—News has just been received in Shanghai that R.F. "Peter" Blix, a Norwegian subject and formerly of Reuter's Far Eastern Staff, was killed recently as the result of the torpedoing of a Norwegian ship in which he was serving in European waters. Full details of the incident have not yet been received.

Peter Blix was well-known in Far Eastern sporting circles, having represented Shanghai at Rugby against Hongkong in the 1934-35 match, which Shanghai won by 17 points to 11. Blix was Shanghai's scrum-half on that occasion and in the following year travelled down to Hongkong for his second Interport.

Hongkong F.C. Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner of the Hongkong Football Club will be held in the Roof Garden, the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, March 30, at 7.30 p.m.

Germans Ration Footballs

BERLIN, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The latest thing to be rationed in Germany is footballs.

Just as in the case of food and clothing and so on, permits will now be issued but only to recognised football teams.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 26 (UP).—The "National Tidende" estimates that new indirect taxes shortly to be introduced in the Riksdag will increase Denmark's revenue by 80 million Crowns.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, has denied the report that President Roosevelt is preparing a formal statement covering Mr. Sumner Welles' tour.

LATE NEWS

SHELL FELL ON NORWAY

British Destroyer In Alleged Incident

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—An allegation that a British destroyer in attempting to stop a German vessel fired a warning shot which fell on Norwegian soil was made in an official statement issued today.

According to the statement, the incident occurred near Obrenden on March 22. When the German vessel did not stop the destroyer, which it alleged was within territorial waters, abstained from further force.

The statement continues: "The shell fell without exploding on the shore not far from the road and near the railway station."

The Norwegian Legation in London has been instructed to protest energetically against this violation of the neutrality regulations.

COPPER STRIKE SETTLED

NDOLA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The strike by copper workers has been settled following the arrival here of the Governor, Sir John Maybin.

It is learned that all the strikers are likely to resume work to-morrow.

MAURETANIA AT CANAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CRISTOBAL, Mar. 26 (UP).—The British liner Mauretania left Gator Looks at noon to-day and is expected to reach Balboa about 6 p.m.

She will probably sail from there this evening.

SWEDEN WATCHES RUSSIANS



SWEDEN also has her crack ski troops, who are concentrated on the Northern frontiers, ever watchful of Red moves in Finland.—Domei.



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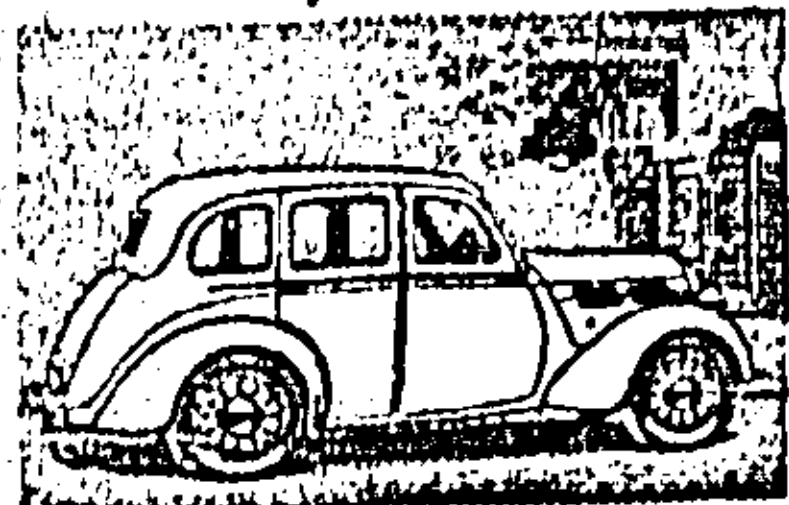
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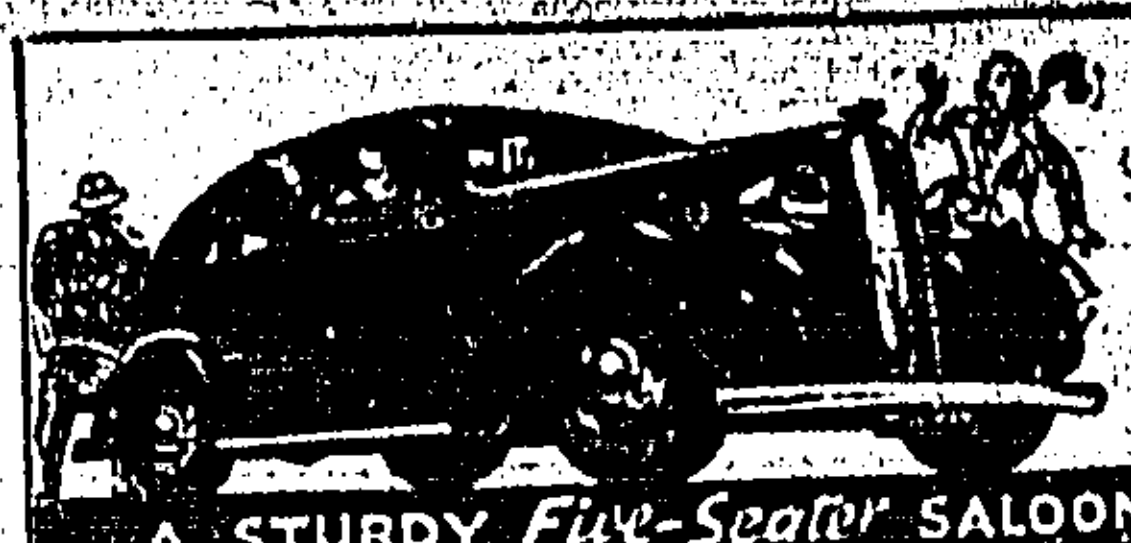
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CAPTAIN'S STORY OF TWO ATTACKS

ACTRESS TRAPS SPIES

British Girl Does Drunk Act

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).

Mai Bacon, the well-known music hall star who has just returned from a 15 weeks' entertainment tour of the Western Front, revealed to-day that she had been responsible for the arrest of two German spies during her tour.

"She trapped the Nazi agents by pretending to be drunk!" Miss Bacon, who is now 43 years old, has been well-known on the London stage since 1915. "I had been warned by the authorities to watch out for a red-headed man, posing as a Belgian, who was suspected to be a German spy," she said.

"The authorities told me that there had been a number of leakages, and I was warned not to discuss where I had been playing or the number of troops stationed at any point. "One night, I returned from singing to the troops to the place where I was staying.

"My voice was husky and I was shivering with the cold. "I'm frozen," I exclaimed. "Only a glass of hot grog will save my life." "A bearded man immediately volunteered to get me a glass. "He walked into the kitchen, where I was able to watch him through the mirror.

"I saw everything he did. He certainly meant that grog to knock the senses out of me, because he put into it everything he could lay his hands on, from absinthe to brandy. "Then he was the best thing to do when one wanted to check a chill. "I pretended to drink the grog, but slipped half of it into the glass of my solo violinist, Arthur Anton.

"Then I put on one of the greatest drunken woman shows of my career. "I slurred and hiccupped like a slut. "It worked. A second man joined us and they both began to question me regarding the troops.

"I raised my finger and leaned forward. "I asked them where I was playing next. I said, 'I'll tell you—Mick!—I'll tell you—Mick!—in Birmingham!' "I acted like this with all the questions they asked me until the two spies were absolutely infuriated.

THE LAST STRAW

"The last straw was when I splashed the remainder of the grog all over 'red-head's' clothes. "He became infuriated, and they both left hurriedly. "I informed the authorities as soon as the two men had left and they were arrested next day."

The bearded German, it was subsequently discovered, was a German officer in the Great War.

WILL RECOGNISE WANG CHING-WEI

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 26 (Domei).—Informed Italian quarters claim that General Franco has decided to recognise the Wang Ching-wei regime. It is stated that Spain and Italy will simultaneously announce recognition next week. Germany has not yet decided on her attitude.

SUDETEN NAZIS DESERT

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Two Sudeten German soldiers who deserted into the Netherlands, have told the villagers that many more Germans would desert if it were not for the severe penalties and the close watch kept on them.

Ark Royal Back After Patrol That Lasted For Five Months

LONDON, MAR. 26 (REUTER).—THE ARK ROYAL, BRITAIN'S NEWEST AIRCRAFT CARRIER, WHICH THE GERMANS CLAIMED LAST YEAR TO HAVE BOMBED AND SUNK, HAS NOW RETURNED HOME AFTER A FIVE MONTHS CRUISE ON WAR SERVICE.

During that time, it is estimated that the Ark Royal with her aircraft reconnoitred 5,000,000 square miles of ocean.

She played her part in the interception of three valuable German merchant ships.

Her aircraft have attacked several U-boats, while others have been frightened into crash dives with unknown results.

TORPEDOES MISSED HER

On the other hand the Ark Royal has been missed by two torpedoes fired from a U-boat which was quickly sunk by her destroyer escort. A thousand pound bomb, dropped from an attacking Heinkel, crashed harmlessly into the sea 15 feet away from the bow of the Ark Royal.

The only damage sustained by the ship was a few pieces of broken crockery.

The Ark Royal returned home to replenish her stores and to give her crew of sailors and airmen a well-deserved leave while she prepared for her next task.

Interview With Captain Captain A. J. Power, who has been in command of the Ark Royal since she was first commissioned nearly two years ago, told "Reuter" that the torpedo attack was made last October about the same time as the Courageous was lost. The torpedoes passed astern of the ship missing it by between 200 and 300 yards.

After the U-boat had been attacked by the escorting destroyers some of her crew were saved. Describing the air attack on the Ark Royal, Captain Power said that one German was more daring than the others. He made a power dive on them. "He started from about 14,000 feet and pulled out at perhaps 1,000 feet," said Captain Power.

If It Had Hit "I saw a bomb leave the plane. It was the biggest one I have ever seen. I saw it falling and from the bridge my impression was that it was not going to hit us. It landed in the sea about 15 feet from the side of the ship. If it had hit us it would not have sunk us," he said.

Captain Power denied a report that the Ark Royal had been across the Atlantic to Rio de Janeiro and also to Cape Town. Her aircraft participated in a search for the Graf Spee but when she was located by H.M.S. Exeter and Achilles the Ark Royal was a thousand miles away.

A hundred flights were made from the decks of the Ark Royal and the Captain Power never lost an aircraft through not finding its way back.

Vacation For The Governor

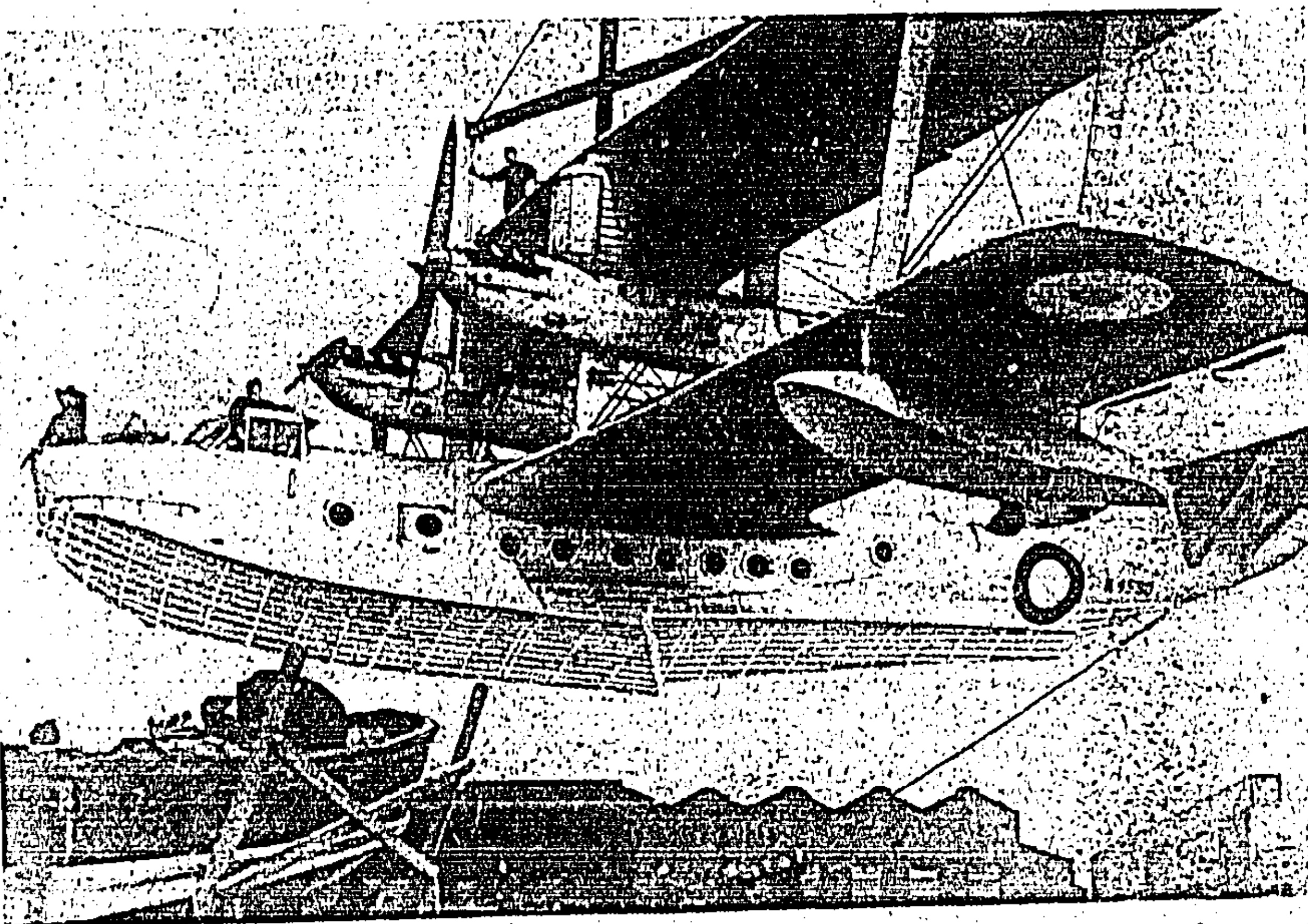
Flying Home On Two Months' Leave

When he flies by Imperial Airways to England on May 12, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote is expected to spend about two months on leave.

His trip is understood not to have any political significance, but is purely in the nature of a vacation. He will not be accompanied by Lady Northcote.

Since he came to Hongkong in October, 1937, the Governor has had a particularly trying term of office. Lady Northcote flew to England by Imperial Airways in January 1938 during the illness of her mother. During the Governor's absence, the

ENGLAND'S WATCHDOGS OF THE AIR



A FLYING BOAT OF THE R.A.F. Coastal Command being lowered into the water at an aerodrome somewhere in England, preparatory to taking off on a reconnaissance and patrol flight over the North Sea. Dozens of planes of this type are constantly patrolling the waters around the British Isles, searching for Nazi U-boats or Heinkel bombers.—Domei.

"Daily Mail" Announces Cabinet Changes

NEW POST FOR MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Domei).—The "Daily Mail" declares this morning that the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, has decided to form an inner War Cabinet which will be empowered to carry out all necessary policies for the prosecution of the war.

Canada Votes In Favour Of War Policy

MACKENZIE KING WINS ELECTIONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Liberal Government headed by Mr. Mackenzie-King is apparently assured of victory in the Canadian Federal elections, on the basis of first returns.

The Liberals are leading in all provinces in the East.

All the Cabinet Ministers have been returned.

At the end of counting on the first day, the Liberals have apparently gained 45 seats and the Conservatives only seven.

Victory Conceded

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Canadian Press has conceded the return of a Liberal Government.

MILITARY STATEMENT

Puppets Involved In Namtau Landing

In view of recent reports which have been in circulation regarding operations on the Mainland the following statement has been issued by the military authorities:

"With regard to the recent reports concerning an alleged Japanese landing in Namtau with the intention of attacking Shuncheun, the military authorities state that only small parties of 'puppet troops' and guerrillas were concerned.

"No serious attack was made or apparently intended, the casualties on either side were negligible, and the fighting confined to minor skirmishing. "There is no reliable indication that any large scale operations are impending on the Hongkong frontier, which remains quiet."

Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith will be Officer Administering the Government but the reshuffle of other officials has not yet been decided upon.

DESTROYER EXPLOSION

Powder Magazine Blast In U.S. Vessel

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEWPORT, R.I., March 26. (UP).—With a detonation that was audible many miles away and which ripped off a bulkhead, the stern powder magazine in the 1,190-ton destroyer U.S.S. King exploded to-day.

Six members of the ship's complement of 122 were severely injured or burned. One is in a critical condition. The cause of the explosion is a mystery. In addition to ripping off the bulkhead, the explosion twisted and splintered the after-compartment and started a blaze which shot forty feet into the air.

The flames were quickly brought under control.

EXPLOITATION OF RESOURCES

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Negotiations for the joint exploitation of mineral resources in Yunnan province are reported to be conducted by General Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, with the British and French Governments, says the "Central China Daily News."

In connection with the financing of the construction of the Yunnan Burma Railway, the report states that General Lung Yun is said to have offered mineral products as securities. General Lung Yun, it is learned, has accepted an invitation from the Governor of Burma to visit Rangoon in April, the report states.

According to the newspaper, the Inner Cabinet will comprise the Premier, the Foreign Minister, Lord Halifax, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, and the Lord Privy Seal, Sir Samuel Hoare.

"If the present materials, Mr. Winston Churchill will become Minister Without Portfolio in the Inner Cabinet," says the "Daily Mail." "In this position he will represent the Navy, Army and Air Force, the Supply and various productive industries."

Other Changes "Lord Chalfield, at present Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, will become First Lord of the Admiralty."

"Sir Kingsley Wood, the Minister for Munitions," will be appointed Minister for Munitions. "The 'Daily Mail' states that efforts to appoint a National Cabinet representative of all parties has been frustrated by strong opposition on the part of the Parliamentary Labour Party."

Represent All Services LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Notwithstanding official depreciation PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

LATEST

Tyres Slashed In City Parks

CAR-OWNERS who parked their vehicles in the city area last night were the victims of a systematic campaign of tyre-slashing, which resulted in damage to the tyres of no less than 20 cars.

The outrages occurred over a wide area in the city, cars parked in Chater Road, Statue Square, Club Street and Jubilee Street being the principal victims.

Most of the cars had all four tyres punctured. In no case was less than two tyres punctured, thus preventing the owners from using their vehicles to reach homes, as few cars carry more than one spare.

The C.I.D. is investigating. It is believed that the tyre-slashing were several urinals of the type who tout for ten cents as "car-watchers."

An epidemic of a similar nature occurred in Kowloon recently, but has been stopped there by police action.

See Back Page For Further Late News

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MILLIONS DYING

Eating the bark of trees are by no means exaggerated.

"In some districts where the wheat is just commencing to grow, the peasants have been forced to dig up the shoots and eat them as vegetables, thus robbing themselves of a future harvest."

"Others are living on weeds, which they make into a sort of porridge."

"I have seen Chinese eating sawdust in an effort to keep alive."

Commander G. Walker, of the Salvation Army, "United Press" correspondent samples of the food the Chinese are eating along the waterways between Tientsin and Peking. They included cotton pods, pea husks, water grass and millet husks.

Birds, he said, are as famished as humans and as soon as any seed is planted it is uprooted again.

Other missionaries report suicides everywhere, mostly by jumping into wells. Some of these suicides involve whole families.

The extent of the suffering may be imagined from flood statistics, which show that 12,000 villages have been devastated in Hopei and 2,000 in Shantung.

Of the area of 16,000 square miles originally flooded, 4,000 square miles are still under water, especially in the area south of Peking and between Tientsin and Peking, where the water is still 10 feet deep in many places.

A little flour can still be obtained in most towns in Hopei but the price is far above the reach of the peasant. The situation in Tientsin is slightly better, because the Salvation Army is caring for many refugees and has so far repatriated 12,000 to their homes. It is estimated that 80,000 destitute refugees still remain in Tientsin.

NEW POST FOR MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL

FROM PAGE ONE

of newspaper Cabinet reshuffles, the "Daily Mail" carries a report by its diplomatic correspondent, stating that a "Cabinet within the Cabinet" may be formed.

The correspondent suggests that the members consist of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Viscount Halifax, Sir John Simon, Sir Samuel Hoare and Mr. Winston Churchill.

There are suggestions also that Lord Chatfield will become First Lord of the Admiralty and that Mr. Churchill, as Minister "Without Portfolio," will take over representation in the Inner Cabinet of the three fighting services and industry.

He will be the real Minister for Co-ordination of Defence.

Sir Kingsley Wood, the present Air Minister, may be replaced and given a special post for directing the acceleration of national production.

ALLIES' HUGE PURCHASES

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The Allies have already placed orders in the United States exceeding £150,000,000, according to Sir Louis Beale, a member of the Anglo-French Purchasing Board, speaking at a luncheon given by the Export Managers' Club.

Sir Louis Beale said that the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission had received the utmost co-operation and fulfilment from American industry. Not a single attempt to take advantage of the Allies' urgent needs had been encountered.

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NAZI EXPEL NEWSMAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". ZURICH, Mar. 26 (UP).—Dr. J. C. Meyer, Berlin Correspondent of the Zurich "Zeitung," has been expelled from Germany.

The reason for the expulsion is not stated. The news came as a great surprise in Zurich, because Dr. Meyer has resided for many years in Berlin, and was well known for his objective methods of reporting.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Among those taking part in the raid on Sylt, the Air Ministry announced today, were 14 Canadians, seven Australians, seven New Zealanders and one South African.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21ST MARCH, 1940, to FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

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Bazaar's Success

To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—I shall be very grateful if you will allow me to express, through your Correspondence Column, my hearty thanks to all those who have contributed to make our Bazaar a success on last Saturday. It was raining quite heavily on that day, but a great number of people came. It was really very kind of them to do so.

The result of the Bazaar is beyond our expectation. We have achieved our object and got over \$2,000. In these hard times, when war has broken out in the East and in the West, such a result must be considered very satisfactory. Unquestionably this is wholly due to the help and generosity of our friends and well-wishers, whom we are thanking now.

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H. K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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NO POST-WAR U.S. BOOM

Author Paints Dismal Picture Of Europe

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. A. W. Zolomick, President of the International Statistical Bureau, in a new book entitled "This Peculiar War," concludes that nothing good is likely to come from Europe for years.

He says nobody wants Europe but Russia—who wants it for everyone else.

Also he warns that there will be no boom for the United States comparable with that after the first World War.

Soviet Feverishly Buying Petrol

TOKYO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Soviet Union is "feverishly importing" petroleum from America through Vladivostok, according to a Japanese Press message from Tientsin, which is the terminus of the ferryboat service linking Vladivostok with Japan.

The message adds that the Soviets are also seeking to develop their own Far Eastern deposits.

WELLINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—By 821 votes to 104, the New Zealand Labour Party endorsed the statement outlined by the Party on February 21.

British Loan To Spain

To Assist Work Of Reconstruction

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The loan agreement between the United Kingdom and the Spanish Government, published today, refers to the United Kingdom's desire to assist the Spanish Government in promotion of reconstruction work.

The United Kingdom Government will undertake to advance to the Spanish Government a sum not exceeding £2,000,000, to be paid into a sterling current account.

4 1/2 Per Cent. Interest
The Spanish Government will undertake to pay the United Kingdom interest in sterling at the rate of four and a half per cent. per annum on the whole loan and will repay the whole loan in 20 half-yearly instalments beginning on June 30, 1942.

The Trade and Payments agreement, the text of which is also published, will come into force on April 1.

Normalising Friendship

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Spanish agreement on clearing arrangements has been reached, and the occasion for the inauguration of the Loan Agreement is a commencement of a period in which friendly and economic relations between the two countries have been placed on a normal basis.

The agreement is regarded as a dove-tailing into the Anglo-Spanish war trade agreement which it is hoped, will be merely the beginning of a much more considerable volume of trade between the two countries whose economic conditions are in so many respects complementary.

Test For New Explosive

Export's Successful Demonstration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". MIDDLEBURY, MARYLAND, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. Lester Barlow, the explosive expert, today gave the first public demonstration of his liquid oxygen explosive.

He detonated an ounce charge behind a log, and chunks of timber weighing twelve pounds were hurled as high as 150 feet.

Also he demonstrated that the explosive cannot be detonated by flames, rifle bullets or in being dropped from the air.

Cheaper Than T.N.T.

A foundry charge was fired in a steel shell from a cannon at point blank range against a steel barrier. It did not explode. The same charge was then detonated electrically in a sand-bagged dugout. It ripped the sand-bags to pieces and scattered them in all directions.

The explosive costs 4 1/2 cents per pound as compared with the peacetime price of 22 cents per pound for T.N.T.

Army observers said the tests proved the safety features, rather than the power of the explosive. However, the power will probably be larger in later charges.

Premier And The T.U.C.

Explains A Recent Statement

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wire- less).—In a letter to the correspondent of the reply given to the T.U.C. deputation on the Trades Act, the Prime Minister disposes of the allegation that he intended to suggest that amendment or repeal of the Act, on which Mr. Chamberlain says he strongly would depend on how the T.U.C. movement acted during the war.

The Prime Minister says that he told the deputation that "everyone recognised the magnitude of the contribution the T.U.C. movement is making to the national war effort, and this recognition will undoubtedly lend support to the use which the Trade Unionists may wish to put forward after the war."

STOCK EXCHANGE HAS QUIET DAY

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange today markets were quiet. There was little activity in any group except home rails which were higher on reports of large Eastern holiday traffic.

Indian Government stocks tended to be quiet. Elsewhere, movements were very small.

Wall Street was steady.

British Subjects Repatriated

MOSCOW, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Over half the British subjects in Soviet occupied Poland have now been repatriated.

When the Soviets occupied Poland there were some 200 British subjects there, mainly visiting relatives. Less than 100 remain and most of these are Polish citizens with some Canadian Ukrainians.

The former are leaving at the rate of ten a fortnight.

The well-known Zionist, John Rundslein, is among those who recently left for Palestine.

RESERVIST GUILTY

Police Sergeant Sought Money With Menaces

Found guilty on the second count of demanding money with menaces, Ho So, 46, a Crown Sergeant in the Police Reserve, was remanded till to-morrow for sentence when the case against him concluded at the Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Ho was charged with having on January 22, together with two others, not in custody, with intent to extort money, threatened to accuse Chan Sik-tin of murder and, alternatively, with demanding money with menaces.

He was defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. S. Berg (Foreman), Yu Fook-chi, A. Minnot, J. W. Bundred, G. H. da Silva, J. Revil and W. A. Fox.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Insp. A. L. Hopkins, prosecuted.

The offence occurred in room No. 303 in the Empress Hotel, Connaught Road Central. Ho was alleged to have been in the company of two other men, all posing as police officers.

Sgt. Cullinan was recalled by Mr. d'Almada yesterday. He declared that when Chan appeared at No. 8 Police Station in company with Ho, he made no mention of any threat by the latter to accuse him of murder, or of a sum of \$4,000 being demanded.

Leo Kell-kuen, C251, the detective who went to the Empress Hotel after a complaint had been made at the station by Cheuk Yung, "Chan's brother-in-law," said when he knocked at the room door, it was opened by the accused who immediately said "Folk, folk." Witness took this to mean the accused declared himself a detective. A portion of accused's jacket was exposed and witness could see a revolver underneath.

Cross-examined by Mr. d'Almada, Leo said he spoke before he was asked who he was or what he was doing in the room. He declared Ho gave him no chance to ask a question.

Produced Police Badge

Inspector Hopkins said on the evening of January 29, he went to Ho's home in Wanchai, where the latter produced a police badge. Ho had an arm licence which entitled him to carry arms at all times.

Cross-examined by Mr. d'Almada, Inspector Hopkins said he had known Ho for about 13 years. He was a Crown Sergeant in the Police Reserve. Witness believed Ho was the proprietor of the Wing Hing Brothers' Road, which was a fairly large firm and appeared to be doing a thriving business. Witness had, during the time he had known the accused, taken him to be a man of some substance.

Mr. d'Almada, at the conclusion of the Crown case, said he was calling no evidence.

After a retirement of eight minutes, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty on the first count, and a majority verdict of guilty on the second count by 6-1.

His Lordship said he did not feel disposed at the moment to deal with the case. He would like to have more information about defendant's record as a Reservist. Sentence was postponed to 10 a.m. to-morrow.

See Phenomenon For First Time

Strange Effects Of The Aurora Borealis

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Sunspot electrical disturbances which created a temporary havoc among radio waves have resulted in the Aurora Borealis and Aurora Australis being seen in regions which have seldom, if ever, seen them.

Italy and Bulgaria can both see the northern lights while the Orange Free State can see the red glow of the southern lights.

The is very rare, says Dr. Wood, the Union astronomer.

In England, the main effect has been very high spring tides. Many walkers on the Thames tow path were cut off by the tide and had to wade to safety.

A cripple in a bath chair was manœuvred and had to be rescued by boatmen.

FRAUDS TO SERVE SENTENCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Federal Judge Samuel Mandelbaum has refused to grant a postponement in the execution of the sentence against Senor Buencamino who was convicted with Messrs. William Buckner and William Gillespie in connection with the Philippine Railway bond fraud.

The three will be taken to the house of detention this afternoon.

A report from an unimpeachable source in Washington says that President Roosevelt has declined to pardon Sen. Buencamino and has returned his application to the Justice Department without comment.

Theatre Manager's Fatal Fall

Leung To-ying, 46, manager of the Talpo Theatre, was fatally injured when he fell from the roof of the theatre while supervising repairs yesterday. He was sent to the Kowloon hospital suffering from head injuries, and died shortly after admission.

Court Martial Continues

Royal Scots Charged With Theft

Charged with the theft of \$60.00, the property of Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes, and with breaking out of the La Salle College Internment Camp while on active service on March 4, Private James McPhillips and Private Valentine, of the 2nd Battalion, Royal Scots, appeared before a Military Court in the Recreation Hall of the Victoria Barracks this morning.

Major H. L. Webb presided as President of the Court, assisted by Captain A. G. Atkinson and Lt. K. I. M. Buchanan.

Lt. J. A. H. Douglas prosecuted while Capt. H. C. Harland was the Defence Officer.

Said He Borrowed Book

Lt. Cpl. W. H. Walls of the Military Police said on March 4 about 12.30 p.m. he went to the La Salle Internment Camp accompanied by Lt. Cpl. Taggart. On their arrival they were told that the canteen had been broken into and a cash box containing \$60.00 had been forced open.

Walls said on questioning Valentine, he told him that he had borrowed a book and had gone straight to bed after coming off sentry duty. McPhillips said he went straight to bed and never left the camp that night.

Witness said he asked Valentine, the name of the book he was reading, but he would not tell him the name of the book or the name of characters featured in the book.

Carrying on his investigations, witness said Cpl. Taggart took McPhillips' shoe and made a mark with the heel on a piece of paper and found that the mark was identical to that found on the canteen partition.

Pte. Gardner said he was on duty on March 4 between 12 midnight and 2 a.m. at No. 2 sentry post. About 1 a.m. he saw two soldiers opening No. 3 gate, he halted them and one of them came forward whom he recognised as McPhillips; he also recognised Valentine who was standing near the gate. Gardner then allowed them to pass.

Thought It Was All Right

Asked why he had allowed them to pass, witness said he thought it was all right as they had the key to the gate. Both of them returned about 2 1/2 minutes later. He could not see whether they were carrying anything.

Pte. Edgar said he was on duty at No. 3 sentry post between midnight and 2 a.m. on March 4, when he heard a challenge about 1 a.m. from anything.

Second Lieutenant H. A. Miller said while he was O.C. of the La Salle Internment Camp, he did not at any time give the accused permission to leave camp.

At the conclusion of the case for the prosecution, Capt. Harland submitted that in reference to the first charge, the prosecution had not made out a case for the defence to answer. The case is proceeding.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1900. Emperor William speaking at a public banquet in Berlin, affirmed that the principle of Divine Right made the welfare of the lower classes his chief care, and that he would heartily welcome all who advised him in his work, and would crush all who opposed him.

Signor Crispien, speaking in the Chamber to-day, said that the position of Italy in Africa was unsatisfactory, and that the Italian Government would always proceed in that quarter in accord with Great Britain, both their interests being identical.

25 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1915. The Press Bureau announces that at dawn yesterday, British forces discovered a party of the enemy near El Kubi, opposite Suez, and shots were exchanged.

10 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1930. The Rev. Dr. Lyttelton, former Headmaster of Eton and Halesbury, was today knocked down by a motor car in London and was taken to hospital. He is 74 years old. Dr. Lyttelton is the seventh son of the fourth Lord Lyttelton. He received his education at Eton.

The joint efforts of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. H. L. Blomfield to improve the London Naval Conference with fresh confidence are meeting with a measure of success. The atmosphere to-day seems to be a distinct improvement.

The new German liner "Europa" has beaten her sister ship the Bremen's transatlantic record. Her time for crossing to New York was 4 days, 15 hours, 5 minutes. She has thus duplicated the Bremen's achievement in winning the blue ribbon on her maiden voyage.

With a complement of 301 passengers, the Resolute, premier cruising vessel of the Hamburg American Line, departed this morning from Manila on her seventh cruise around the world in less than many years.

5 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1935. It is believed possible that Germany may ask for the return of the Rhineland. It is pointed out that the other powers may offer a plebiscite on the Rhineland question in return for their lifting the embargo on the security of Europe and rearmament.

It is learned that Italy's plan of mobilisation includes the massing of nine full divisions of the Italian Alpine troops near the Austrian frontier. There is no reason given for this move, and the only excuse for its coming to observers, is the unsettled condition of affairs in Europe.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day, said Germany had no right to denounce the Versailles Treaty. He said the Treaty did not provide for unilateral denunciation.

M. Joseph Avenol, Secretary General of the League of Nations, to-day issued a statement for release to Japanese morning papers, expressing the deep regret of the League of one of the original member nations.

Senator Borah, interviewed to-day, declared that "Germany will do as she pleases and the Allies will submit. The Versailles Treaty will be scrapped and there will be no war in Europe over the present impasse, he maintained."

During the course of 1935, three newly built express steamers will be added to the Norddeutscher Lloyd's flag in the East Asiatic ports. They are the steamers Schernhorst, Potsdam and Gneisenau.

Income Tax Increased

Turkey's Commodities Affected

ANKARA, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Professional men and bankers will pay 40 per cent. more income tax under a bill submitted to the National Assembly.
Wage earners are also liable for more tax but at lower rates.
Owing to the international situation and demands of national defence, tax-payers must provide a further £8,000,000 to balance the £54,000,000 budget.
Under the bill, taxes and duties will be increased on a long list of commodities, including tea, coffee, sugar, spirits, tobacco, petrol and cotton goods.

Red Cross Fund Now Totals £1,260,000

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John Fund for the sick and wounded in the war now stands at £1,260,000, representing an increase of £18,000 over the Easter holidays.

The Secretary of State for India has forwarded £7,500, representing the sterling equivalent of two sums of 50,000 rupees contributed by the states of Dhar and Barwan for seven ambulances.

fight to fight as quiet as possible until the Graf Spee was almost ready to go out.

The German colony, who had made much of the crew for the first two days, boycotted them when the news of their refusal to fight got around.

The statement concludes with the report that the crew's refusal to obey orders and insubordination are confirmed by observers aboard the merchant ships Lynton, Grange, Troklevic and other vessels, both naval and mercantile, which were moored close to the Graf Spee, including a tug lying alongside her.

These observers were witnesses of these occurrences aboard the Graf Spee.

Seaman's Admission
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Mar. 26 (UP).—Nazi quarters describe the Admiralty's report of a mutiny aboard the Admiral Graf Spee as "complete nonsense."

"Such stories do not even merit denials," an announcement states.
A number of the crew of the Graf Spee, interned in Buenos Aires, told "United Press" that there was no organized mutiny.
"Several 17 and 18-year-old seamen were somewhat fearful that we would be sunk," he admitted.

TIME TO ACT HAS ARRIVED — Reynaud

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 26 (UP).—"Hitler's hour would come if the Paris Government lacked authority."

"Dangers have been averted and the time has now come to act. We shall act—but I cannot describe the details," declared the French Premier, M. Paul Reynaud in his radio broadcast speech to-day.

"Our aim has not changed—and our aim is to win the war. Although I wish for unanimous support, I do not wish to attain it by ulterior manoeuvres, but by the results of our action," the Premier added.

War Aims Unchanged
PARIS, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—France's war aim remained unchanged, declared M. Paul Reynaud, the new Premier, in a broadcast to-night.

He promised that the decisions of the new government would be mature and its actions prompt.

Regarding the inner Cabinet of nine, M. Reynaud said: "It is enough for deliberation and not too many for action."

Referring to the formation of the new government, M. Reynaud said that he was actuated by one idea—what ministerial formation would give to the Government the most strength for action.

"If in the midst of a war France offered the spectacle of a cascade of governments, then enemy propaganda would pounce on the failure of our democracy and the impotence of our regime, but the real risk was of favouring the execution of the enemy's plans. He gambles on our internal break-up, which would enable him to undertake military action at the minimum cost."

Attack On Balkans
"At the moment that I am speaking, everything has been set at work by Hitler to attack the economic independence of the Balkan states," continued M. Reynaud.

"By every means, the Reich is striving to establish its hegemony over a great part of Europe."

"The Government's duty is clear—make war in all fields. Everywhere men are needed—to fight, work in factories and work in the fields."

"The Government's part is to put everybody in place."

Peace-Time Rhythm Offence
"Whoever keeps to the peace-time rhythm of work is committing an offence against the country. Normal is not enough."

Those who might attempt to thwart this great national effort will be crushed.

"This war will be hard. We will have to fight hard, work hard and suffer hard. We shall win this hard war."

WANG KEH-MIN SAYS LITTLE

Nanking Discussions Small In Scope

PEIPING, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Wang Keh-min gave an interview to foreign correspondents on his return from Nanking.

Wang appeared to be in unusually good spirits as if he was highly satisfied with his trip south. But for a person who has agreed to cancel the former independence status of his Peiping Provisional Government, he had strangely little to say regarding future arrangements.

No Changes In Personnel
According to his statement, only the date, place and organisation of the new Government were discussed in Nanking.

Replying to questions, he stated that there was not likely to be any change in the personnel of the northern administration, that foreign affairs would be handled by the Central Government, and that nothing was settled regarding the status of the new Chinese armies in North China.

Danes Sentenced For Espionage

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Five Danish citizens were sentenced here to-day to varying terms of imprisonment for espionage and attempted espionage.

Bolivia Nips Revolt: Situation Now Quiet

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LA PAZ, Mar. 26 (UP).—A State of Siege has been proclaimed throughout Bolivia.

Government soldiers have quelled a barracks uprising of Carbineros who were plotting to overthrow Senor Quintanilla, the Provisional President.

It is officially announced that 200 of a 1,500 garrison of Carbineros were involved in the subversive movement which was apparently led by Senor Antonio Campero Arce, former Minister to Italy.

When the plot was discovered at dawn, Senor Quintanilla called a meeting of the Cabinet and then posted his troops.

SNOWBALL TACTICS

Goebbels At His Old Game Of Lies

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The snowball tactics of Dr. Goebbels' propaganda machine are again exemplified by the way the Nazis are changing their minds about the R.A.F. raid on Sylt.

The first report said that one British plane was brought down. The latest report says that six were brought down.

At this rate, the Germans will soon have exceeded the total number of aeroplanes taking part in the raid, semi-official observers in London comment.

Not Exactly Unusual
This, of course, is not exactly unusual. The Nazis achieved this feat in their reports of the air battle over Helligoland eight last December.

If the Nazis conform to habit, their next report should be 12 British planes shot down in the Sylt raid.

The Air Ministry once again stresses that the Nazi figures are false. As announced within a few hours at the time, only one R.A.F. machine failed to return.

British Press On The War

European Diplomatic Activity Reviewed

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following is a summary of part of the comments which appeared in the British press on Monday.

The "Times" remarks on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the West Indies, the chief recommendation being that the Government has stated it will retain the old axiom that the Colonies are only retained as a source of profit for the government.

The proposals are well received on both the islands themselves and at home here. The British taxpayer will have to provide a substantial sum, the main portion of which will go to health, education and housing schemes.

Nazi Domination Plan
Several of the home papers comment on the diplomatic activity in Europe.

The German plan to dominate Europe is commented on by the "Manchester Guardian" which asks how this formidable German plan will be met. Europe must be shown that Britain's interest is neither selfish nor insincere. She cannot distinguish between her freedom and that of Europe's.

The "Yorkshire Post" says that the first visible result of our diplomatic activity is apparent in the Bucharest announcement that the Rumanian Economic Mission will visit London early next month.

The new clearing agreement will be negotiated and probably vigorous attempts will be made to expand the whole of the British and Rumanian trade.

On the question of nerves, the "Daily Telegraph" comments that the Easter holiday-makers showed that Britain and France are ready with quiet confidence for whatever trouble which may come.

More Raids Over Germany

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A Berlin High Command communiqué admits that during Sunday night, "enemy planes flew over north and south-west Germany."

The communiqué claims that these planes "several times violated the territory of Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and Sweden."

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2—Type of jazz
3—National assembly of
4—Crisis
5—Mohammedan saint
6—Idol
7—Command
8—Famous poetical
9—Flemish
10—Hand-to-hand fight
11—Device for keeping
12—Powers to order
13—Like a goose
14—Manned publication
15—Dronkards
16—Boon
17—Tall over in detail
18—Lodged in private
19—House
20—Poetry
21—Bless denoting omis
22—In sentence
23—Pleasure
24—Great statesman
25—Old man
26—Sacred cantata
27—Too bad
28—Indian queen
29—Jousau
30—One who transfers
31—Furniture
32—Small bottle
33—Were of importance
34—Announce loudly
35—Bird of prey
36—South African Dutch colony
37—Bird with long bill
38—Tallist
39—Dye indigo
40—Approximately

DOWN

1—In law, unjustifiable
2—Kind of fish
3—Body of concrete
4—Type of well
5—Segment of body of animal
6—Small birds
7—Out of work
8—Infectious bird
9—Least whole number
10—Drawing of animal
11—Invited to
12—Fool
13—District of Poland
14—Genre of theatre
15—Native part of
16—Jugo-Slavia
17—Amount of
18—Verb-lit
19—Delele
20—Article of office
21—Narrow valleys in mountainous country
22—Toward the east (poetical)
23—Those who cause
24—Nothing but
25—Black worker
26—Northern concubine
27—Low spirits (col.)
28—Kind of fish
29—Two-foot moth of Brazil
30—Plant-indian grass
31—Prepared for food
32—Rumanian name
33—Ancient Roman emperor
34—Developed
35—Dan

87—All time
88—Compulsive error
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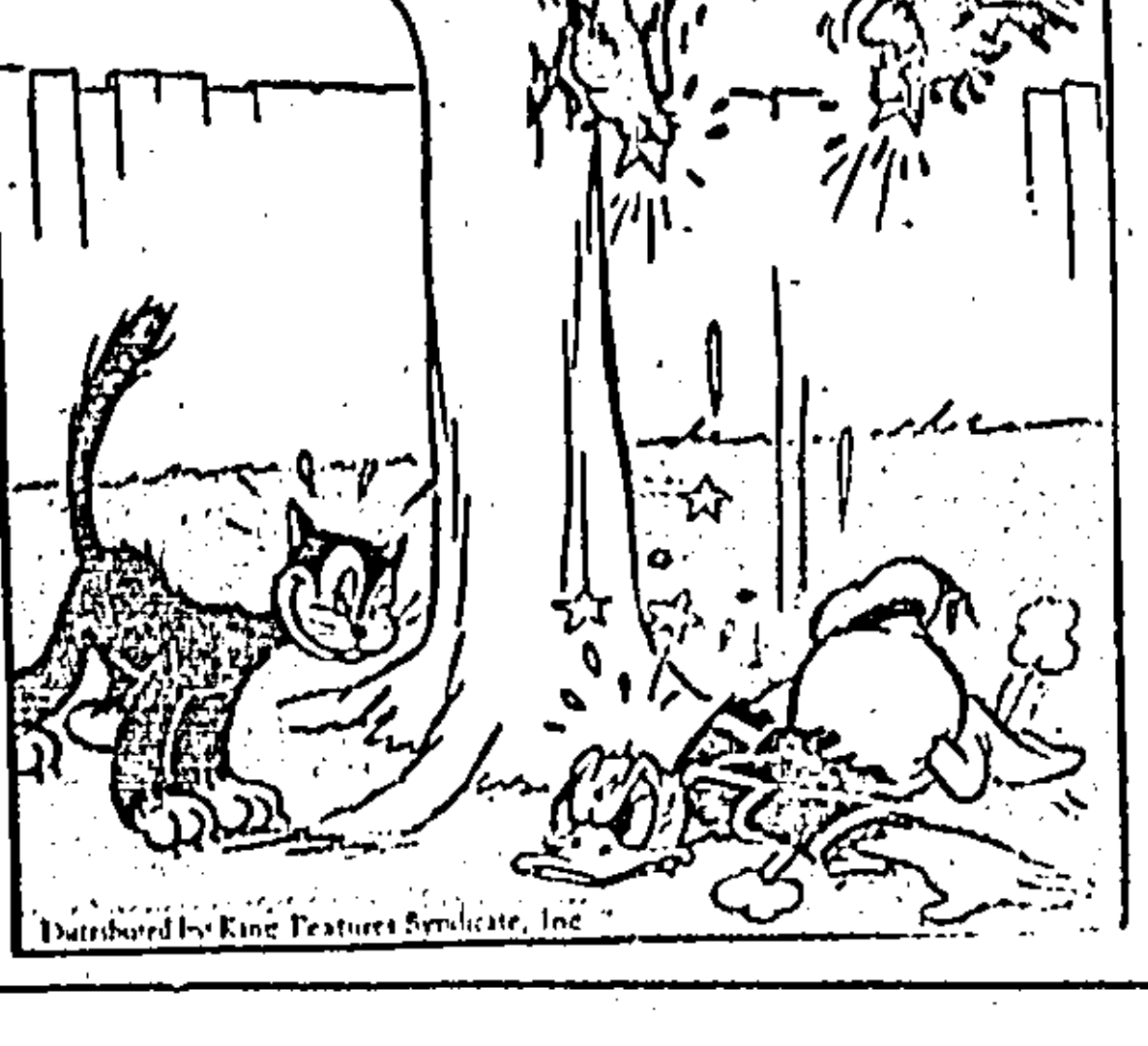
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CROMWELL TO STAY IN OTTAWA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (UP).—Mr. James Cromwell, America's millionaire-Minister to Canada, is continuing his duties in Ottawa.

He declines to comment on his much-criticised speech at Toronto, in which he castigated American isolationists and bitterly attacked the Nazi regime in Germany.

"Mr. Cordell Hull, for whom I have the greatest respect, has said the last word," Mr. Cromwell announced to-day.

He described as "decidedly premature," reports that he would resign and contest the Senate elections in New Jersey.

Mr. Cromwell was appointed U.S. Ambassador to Canada on January 13. He has been described as the most popular Minister in Ottawa.

Mrs. Cromwell is the former Doris Duke, heiress to the "Camel cigarette" millions, and reputedly the richest girl in the world.

Cromwell, however, reserves his greatest scorn for the "idle rich." He and his wife are frequent visitors to the White House, and Mrs. Cromwell gave \$50,000 to the Democratic campaign.

The couple visited Hongkong on their honeymoon.



KING'S THEATRE'S NEW SOUND EQUIPMENT

Laudatory Reference Made At Company Meeting

The improvement effected in the sound system of the King's Theatre makes it compare favourably with the most modern theatres in America, said Dr. S. W. Tso, chairman of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Co., Ltd. speaking at the annual meeting of the company held this morning.

Good Year Of Business

The Chairman said: The gross taking from the Theatre is approximately the same as that of the previous year and business generally throughout the year can be considered as good.

This year I am pleased to state that the management, with a view to catering to the various tastes of its patrons, have been able to contract for a selection of films from five of the leading companies in the film industry. These films comprise the best line-up of the most popular English and American stars, directors, and writers that has been the proud privilege of any one theatre to assemble together.

An improvement has also been effected to the Theatre's Sound System, which now compares favourably with the most modern theatres in America, by the installation of the latest Western Electric's "Mirror-phone," system which makes projected sound more clear and realistic.

As in previous years we have again given several successful performances for the benefit of various charitable organisations.

Turning to the investment side of the account I am also pleased to report that throughout the whole of the year under review all shops and offices in this Building have been let and without an exception, I can confidently say, that tenants in this Building have all enjoyed a very good year's business.

Dividend Declared

You will notice that your Directors have written off as depreciation \$75,438.20 for depreciation, amounting to \$81,187.03 and with the balance of \$25,689.98 brought forward from the 1938 account, we have a total sum of \$106,887.01 available for distribution, out of which your Directors recommend the placing to general reserve \$30,000 and the payment of a dividend of 70 cents per share which will absorb \$60,000, leaving a sum of \$16,887.01 to be carried forward to the 1940 account.

I think this practically covers the year's working in general. I now move that the accounts as presented be adopted.

Directors Re-elected

The report and accounts were adopted. The retiring directors, Sir Shouson Chow and Dr. S. W. Tso were re-elected. The retiring directors, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected.

Those present included Messrs. Anne Ch'han, Chan Kwai-chong, K. Y. Chang, George Sun, Li Jowen and C. K. On (Directors); Messrs. Li Kwok-ying, K. Y. Chang, K. F.

VOTING IN BLIZZARD

Foul Weather For Canada's Election

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (UP).—Polling in Canada's war elections opened in the worst blizzard the Dominion has experienced in years.

Betting is 7-5 that Mr. Mackenzie King's Liberal Government will remain in office.

The Conservatives are also handicapped by the blizzards, which have cut off centres which are normally regarded as their stronghold. Prince Edward Island is completely snow-bound and rural areas in New Brunswick and Quebec are almost isolated.

Important Soldiers' Vote

The soldiers' vote is expected to be an important factor in the elections. Soldiers in camp in England commenced voting last week and the results will be flashed to Canada by cable to-night.

Considerable delays are expected in obtaining all votes, however, and it is not expected that the complete results of the elections will be announced until April 2.

Canada Goes To Polls

OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—"Average to heavy balloting" is generally reported in to-day's election.

Owing to the death of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Willie Poirson, polling in these Rivers, Quebec, is postponed pending the nomination of a new candidate.

The only leading member of any party making any prediction of the election result was Mr. G. C. Power, the Postmaster General of Quebec, who conceded a maximum of 65 seats to the Conservative Opposition. Of these 40 might be won in Ontario.

First Results

OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. Manion, leader of the Conservative Party has been defeated in the general election by the Rev. Dan McIvor, the Liberal candidate at Port William, Ontario.

The re-election of Mr. McIvor, Minister of Fisheries, indicated at the Redoubt, Madawaska constituency of New Brunswick.

Mr. Rogers had an easy victory over the Conservative candidate Mr. H. A. Kidd, and this result is regarded as significant, since the Conservatives campaigned against Mr. Rogers' conduct of the war throughout the Dominion.

The re-election of Mr. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce in the Waterloo North constituency of Ontario is indicated by the votes so far counted.

Mr. McLarty, Minister of Labour has been re-elected for Essex, East Ontario, and Mr. G. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, for Port Arthur, Ontario.

Mr. P. J. Carlin, Minister of Public Works has been re-elected for Richelieu, Quebec.

HUNGARY TO DROP HER BALKAN CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 26 (UP).—In a front page interview with the afternoon newspaper, "La Tribuna," Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, hinted that Hungary has momentarily dropped her revisionist claims against the Balkan countries in view of the international situation.

Count Teleki, however, refused to comment regarding Hungarian-Rumanian relations.

Referring to his visit to Rome, Count Teleki said that in view of the critical situation in Europe he wants to exchange views with friendly nations.

Teleki Talks With Il Duce

ROME, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued after the meeting between Count Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Signor Mussolini states that the conversation resulted in a proposal for working out further collaboration between the two countries.

This friendship coincided perfectly with the existing Italo-German, German-Hungarian and Italo-Yugoslav relations.

Both governments are to coordinate their actions to preserve peace in the Balkan and Danubian sector.

No Sensational Results

ROME, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, had a long interview with Signor Mussolini to-day. In an interview with the "Tribuna" later Count Teleki declared that all who expected sensational results from the talks were mistaken. He added that he had come to Rome for an exchange of views.

Inspired Statement

BUDAPEST, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A statement declaring that Count Teleki's talks in Rome were merely an exchange of views on a common Italo-Hungarian policy for a constructive peace, is published by the "Poster Lloyd," the organ of the Hungarian Government, which says that firstly, Hungary does not belong to a zone of influence of any Power. The time has passed when decision can be taken against Hungary without asking her consent.

Secondly, Hungary does not need any support from Italy. Italy-Hungarian friendship is so close that Italy would not even allow a situation to arise which would cause

EX-NAZI LEAVES FOR FRANCE

ZURICH, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Frits Thyssen, the German steel magnate and one of the early backers of the Nazis, has left Switzerland for France.

He went to Switzerland last November after breaking with the Nazis, whom he blamed for the war. His property in Germany was promptly confiscated by the Nazis. He and his wife lost their German citizenship.

Recently, in a letter to the Argentine Press, Herr Thyssen expressed his frank disapproval of Nazi policy and said that Germany was bound to lose the war.

TEHERAN, Mar. 26 (UP).—A treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Soviet Russia and Iran was signed to-day.

Hungary to come to Rome, as a suppliant, Italy never intended to influence Hungary to renounce her known revisionist claims.

Thirdly, it is known in Rome that the Hungarian policy is a European policy in the strict sense of the word, and this policy is directed in conformity with her interests in Europe as a whole.

The Italo-Hungarian meeting has the sole aim of studying world events from the point of view of their common interests and in conformity with a common policy for the constructive peace of the two countries.

The Scapa Flow Raid CAUTIOUS PRAISE

Well-Timed, Favoured By Good Luck

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—Authoritative quarters describe the German Scapa Flow raid as a "well-timed operation favoured by some good luck."

Arriving as daylight was fading the raiders were able to make use of such light as remained to carry out the raid and only on the gathering darkness to conceal their flight home. The technique adopted was that of successive waves making sudden dives from about 8,000 feet.

Such small damage as was done is thought to have been caused by the first flight, as the remaining waves met with a reception from the A.A. defences which clearly put them off their aim.

Fighters' Difficulties

The difficulty of fighters making contact with bombers in darkness is pointed out. Unless searchlights pick out a raider, a mere knife edge view is presented which is extremely difficult for a fighter pilot to see.

It is thought that this explains why R.A.F. reconnaissance aircraft have flown a great many times over Germany without being found by defending aeroplanes, while in the case of the Scapa Flow raid the bombers in the air. The only British aircraft brought down on this occasion fell a victim of low flying A.A. guns.

Straight Warning

Informed aviation quarters take the opportunity of warning the British public that if large scale air attacks are made over England, many enemy aircraft must be expected to get through, and there is no inclination on the part of authorities here, as there is in Germany, to persuade the public that air defences are invulnerable. There is confidence in the belief that the free British public will preserve its morale, should better than a population long subjected to an authoritarian regime.

The R.A.F. may be expected to deal faithfully with a high percentage of raiding aircraft, and it is not doubted that the British people will steel themselves to endure any frightfulness the Nazis deem expedient to perpetrate in the certain knowledge that retaliation will be swift and sure.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, has denied the report that President Roosevelt is preparing a formal statement covering Mr. Sumner Welles' tour.

Stole Money From Bag Taxi Driver's Theft From European

Opening a handbag belonging to Mrs. S. C. Sinton which had been left in his taxi outside the Alhambra Theatre, Hau Wal the driver stole \$20 from it.

This morning he was charged with the theft before Mr. Eric Himmsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy and was bound over to be of good behaviour for a year.

Inspector Rogers said shortly after noon on March 23, Mrs. Sinton ordered a taxi from the Cheong Hing grocery shop in Nathan Road, and instructed the driver to proceed to the Alhambra Theatre. Arriving there, she left her handbag in the rear seat and went into the Theatre.

Returning to the taxi in about 15 minutes time, she opened her bag to place in it some small change, and noticed \$20 was missing. Suspecting the driver, she requested him to drive to Kowloon City Police Station. The driver denied having touched the bag, but the money was found hidden in the vehicle.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, appearing for the defendant, asked Mr. Himmsworth to deal with his client leniently, saying that he had an excellent record for nine years with the Blue Taxi Co. He had a wife and two children.

MAURETANIA AT BALBAO

BALBAO, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The Mauretania arrived here and docked at midnight after an uneventful passage through the Panama Canal.

The liner is now taking in oil. The authorities are taking the strictest precautions, and only the necessary workers are allowed on the pier.

A slight delay was caused at Cristobal by the sudden death of the Mauretania's 88-year-old carpenter.

No Permit For Importing Rice Firm Fined \$50 This Morning

For importing rice into the Colony on March 2 without a permit, the Kwong Sun Hong firm of No. 44 Seaman Street West, were summoned by Mr. W. J. Carrie, Controller of Food, before Mr. Sheldon at Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. Carrie said he did not wish to ask for a heavy penalty, but wanted to bring before the public the fact that importing of rice could not be done without a permit.

Ignored Warning

Defendant firm imported 500 bags of white rice from Bangkok on February 12, and on that occasion Mr. Carrie had told a representative that it was not allowed as they did not have a permit. A further 500 bags of rice was imported and arrived on March 2. He had allowed them to pay a double levy, amounting to 24 cents per picul, on the first shipment.

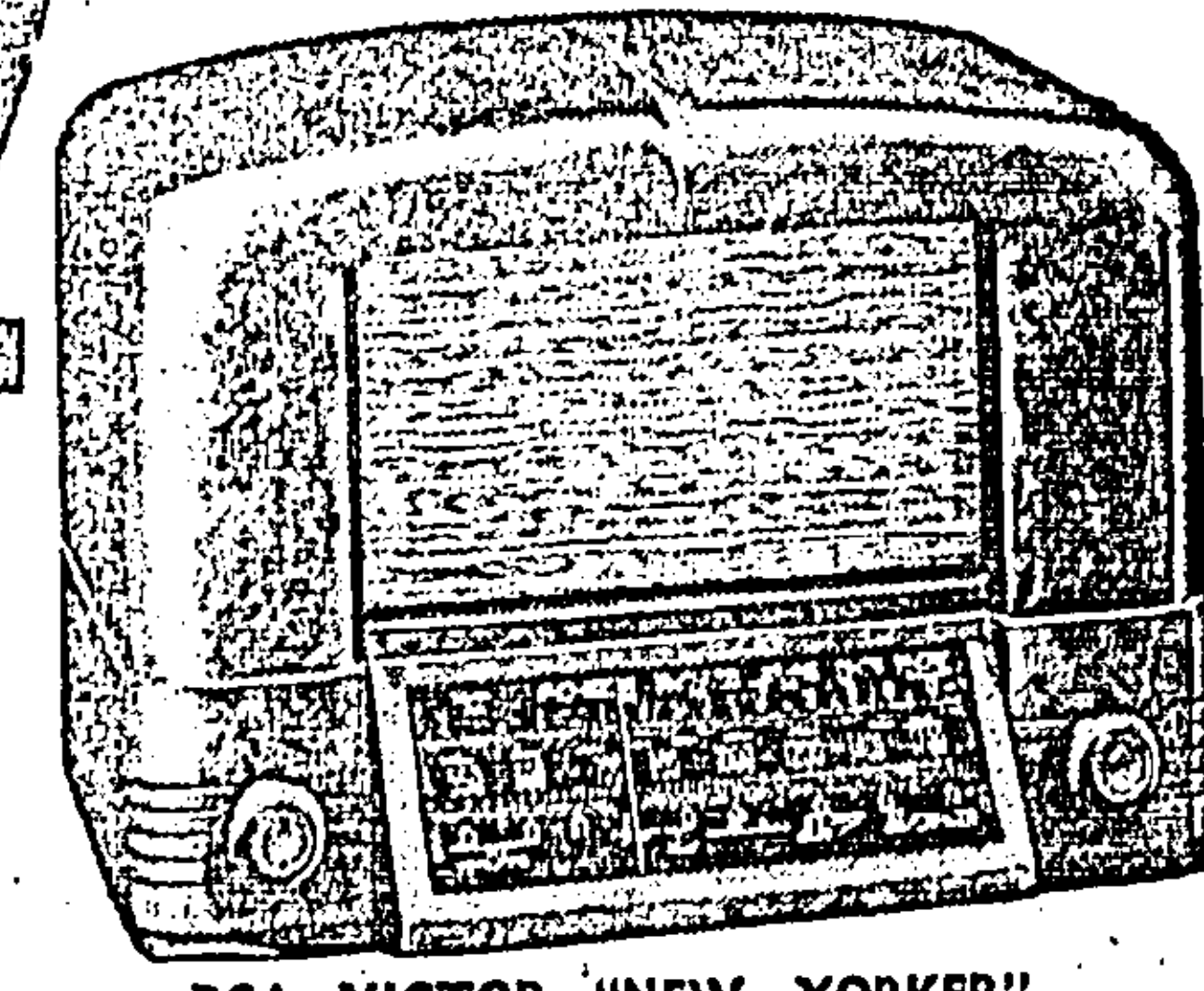
Registered importers of rice had certain privileges, said Mr. Carrie, as they are required to have a reserve stock of 25,000 tons of rice. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

Soviet Ambassador Relieved Of Post

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—According to the Tass Agency, M. Souritz the Soviet Ambassador to Paris has been relieved of his post because he is no longer persona grata with the French Government.



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Mr. B. Owrum-Andersen wishes to
 thank all friends for messages of
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 bereavement, flowers and atten-
 dance at the funeral of his wife.

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The Economic Link

BRITISH Ministers have
 again and again insisted that
 the present alliance in arms
 between Britain and France,
 with its inevitable economic
 corollary, may well result
 in a closer and an endur-
 ing co-operation when peace
 returns. A not unimportant
 step in this direction is to be
 seen in the Anglo-French trade
 agreements concluded between
 the President of the Board of
 Trade and the French Minister
 of Commerce. The effect of
 them is to relax considerably
 the measures of prohibition and
 restriction which had to be im-
 posed on the outbreak of war.
 They are, in fact, the logical
 sequel to the financial agree-
 ments between the two countries
 which were concluded last De-
 cember; and they lead the way
 to the establishment of similar
 arrangements between other
 parts of the British and French
 Empires. Such reciprocity,
 whose consequence must be a
 growing inter-dependence, is of
 the happiest augury.

It is also satisfactory to know
 that the means of overcoming
 difficulties in the way of the
 parallel development of French
 and British export trade have
 been examined, and that the dis-
 cussions between the Federation
 of British Industries and the
 equivalent organisation in
 France have been approved.
 Such a move might easily eventu-
 ate in something very like an
 industrial alliance. For the im-
 mediate moment the announce-
 ment that will be most
 welcomed, however, is the agreed
 intention to simplify to the
 greatest possible extent the
 existing formalities relating to
 the control of external trade,
 the movement of private per-
 sons, and communications by
 post, telegraph and telephone.
 These formalities have proved
 not only unduly restrictive but
 positively vexatious. Trade be-
 tween Britain and France has
 been forced, as it were into a
 strait waistcoat, and healthy
 activity has been made impos-
 sible. No better foundation could
 be laid for that intimate colla-
 boration between the two coun-
 tries which, it is hoped, will be
 a potent factor in post-war
 economics than this decision to
 give business interchanges the
 freedom to function.



HOPE: "Dare I risk plucking that one again?"

Something To Cling To—That's All They Asked

by
**TREVOR
 EVANS**

THOSE Nazi airmen
 who murdered the
 men in the East
 Dudgeon lightship would be
 furious to learn that they
 have indirectly done the best
 turn of the war to Britain's
 merchant seamen.

What happened to that defenceless
 lightship crew has turned Authority's
 spotlight on the need for greater
 safety measures for men of the sea.

Mr. Winston Churchill has an-
 nounced that crews are to be taken
 off the further-out lightships. And
 the further-out lightships are to be
 replaced by light-floats without
 crews.

No more will we risk men whose
 whole working life has been spent
 helping the vessels of all nations,
 German included.

But if the seas are unsafe for
 lightship men, what of the crews of
 fishing trawlers and the slow, old
 tramps which would normally be
 bound for the scrap-yard, but are
 now of greater value to the nation
 than they have ever been before?
 They have been telling strange,
 disquieting tales, these men of the
 tramps, on their return from recent
 voyages.

GAVIN DOUGLAS, Scottish
 novelist, has just ended a
 voyage as a deck-hand.

His ship was so old and so slow
 that she could not join a convoy.
 But she is useful enough to bring
 10,000 tons of iron-ore to this country
 each trip she makes.

Douglas is bitter, but he is going
 to sea again.

There were times on that last trip
 when he and his shipmates were
 convinced that they were just plain,
 fool suicides.

They looked at their lifeboats as
 the ship creaked and groaned through
 the danger zones, and they had mor-
 bid discussion on the number of ways
 they could go down without the life-
 boats being the least scrap of use.

The crew were concerned about the
 lack of safety.

In their hours off duty they formed
 little informal discussion groups.

One or two of them actually plan-
 ned to leave odd spars lying about
 in the scuppers in the hope that if
 the ship went down there would be
 "spares" floating about afterwards.

That was all they asked. Some-
 thing to cling to.

When Gavin Douglas came to see
 me he was not angry. Simply
 puzzled. "If we can spend money

to protect properly," he said, "a
 little could be spared to save our
 lives."

He made two suggestions. "Ar-
 range for a slow-slow convoy," he
 said, "and see that every ship,
 however small, however old, has a
 raft slung to her deck, quickly
 detachable in time of trouble . . .
 you'll cut your losses of life at sea
 by half."

He added that the special provi-
 sioning of these rafts, with sealed
 lockers containing food, water, rplris
 and flares, could be economically
 provided.

This story was told to me ten days
 ago. There is a footnote. Since then
 every member of that crew has gone
 back to sea.

Douglas himself hopes to go back
 next month.

ROBERT STANLEY was the
 second steward of a ship
 that sank off the west coast last
 month.

It was Robert Stanley's job to stow
 away bottles of brandy in the life-
 boats at the beginning of the voyage.

After he and his mates had been
 floundering round in the cold waters
 of the bay for some hours they were
 hauled aboard one of their own life-
 boats.

They sat there shivering in the
 stern when Stanley suddenly re-
 membered the brandy.

He called to the officer in charge
 —"Pass the brandy, sir."

There was a shocked silence.

Then the officer spoke. "Don't
 you remember?" he said. "We drank
 it all at our Christmas party."

When Stanley saw me he made
 one suggestion.

"There ought to be a law," he
 said, "making it an offence to open
 the seal of any locker in a lifeboat
 or on a raft before a ship is aban-
 doned."

Stanley hasn't waited for his law.
 He went to sea again last week.

MR. H. is an expert on
 marine life-saving equip-
 ment. For years he was in charge
 of liner-lifeboats.

Now he has a shore job organising

the fitting of lifeboats and other
 appliances.

The excellent Board of Trade
 specifications met most contingencies
 at sea in peace time, he says.

Most passenger ships were well
 equipped, but the cargo ships—ocean
 and coastwise—need overhauling
 now, especially those more than ten
 years old.

In many of these oldish ships the
 lifeboats leak badly when launched.
 Some of the boats suffer from over-
 zealous painting.

"One I examined," he said, "would
 have been impossible to use for life-
 saving. It was so painted up that it
 was impossible to get the rowlocks
 into the gunwale fittings."

When a ship is mined or torpedoed
 it seldom sinks on anything like an
 even keel. Mr. H. says it is often
 impossible to lower away more than
 two of the four possible lifeboats.

HE makes these sugges-
 tions:—

That at least two lifeboats, one
 forward on the port side, one aft on
 the starboard, should be fitted with
 a petrol or paraffin engine—giving a
 range of 100 miles—at a cost of
 £150 a boat.

That each ship should carry at
 least four life-rafts, fitted with man-
 ropes and calcium flares, similar to
 the Carley floats used by Navy ships.

That when ships enter danger
 zones all lifeboats should be swung
 out on the davits.

He makes another proposal for
 firemen on coal-burning ships.

They work in an atmosphere of
 100 to 120 degrees. Few of them
 ever provide themselves with warm
 clothing. When their ship goes down
 they suffer terribly from exposure.

"Why not provide these men with
 warm 'duffle' coats?" says Mr. H.

If shipowners are ordered to fit
 ships with motor lifeboats, or fit
 existing lifeboats with engines, and
 life-rafts, he adds, arrangements can
 be made in every main port to com-
 plete the job in forty-eight hours.

I PASSED all these sugges-
 tions on to a member of
 the Advisory Committee to the Minis-
 try of Shipping.

He telephoned me.

"We have done quite a lot along
 the lines you suggest," he says,
 "but now the whole business is to
 be speeded up for every one."

"Why the sudden spurt?" I asked.

"That East Dudgeon lightship affair
 was the last straw," he said.

That's how those Nazi airmen have
 helped British seamen.

FRANCE HAS HER DORANS

And has given
 twice as many de-
 corations as we
 have . . .

SOME of our very gallant allies,
 the fliers of the French
 Armée de l'Air, are not being
 heard of quite enough in this
 queer war.

The fault is not theirs.

They have their Dorans too. In
 fact, the French Government so far
 has awarded its airmen more than
 twice as many decorations as our
 R.A.F. men have received.

Some people believe that the
 French system of decorations is more
 truly democratic than the British.

In many cases whole crews of
 French bomber reconnaissance
 machines are being decorated for
 working together as a team.
 The captain, his radio operator,
 gunners and navigator nearly always
 receive the same decoration—generally
 a mention in Army Orders and the
 Croix de Guerre.

The only time the British show the
 same impartiality is when they leave
 whole crews undecorated.

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Meet some of the Allied heroes . . .
 N.C.O. Pilot Pierre Frebilot, Chief
 Sergeant Pierre Lacaille and Corporal
 Pierre Martelliere are a bomber crew
 who have all won Army Orders men-
 tion and the Croix de Guerre.

The official report says this of
 them: "A worthy and gallant crew.
 During a photographic reconnaissance
 they were attacked at great height
 by enemy fighters. They fought as
 they continued to carry out their
 mission. Although both machine gun-
 ners were wounded and one engine
 put out of action, by skilful manoeuv-
 re and shooting they managed to
 get back to their base with important
 information."

N.C.O. Pilot Antoine Mercy has
 won the Military Medal as well as
 the Croix de Guerre with Palm. On
 photographic reconnaissance he was
 attacked by three Messerschmitts.

The official report says:
 "Thanks to his sang-froid he
 succeeded, in spite of grave burns,
 in bringing his flaming machine back
 to the French lines, his machine
 gunner killed at his post. He thus
 enabled his observer to jump
 by parachute into French territory
 and shoot off a series of valuable
 photographs. In these
 conditions he showed a magnificent spirit
 of sacrifice, worthy of the highest
 praise." Antoine Mercy's sacrifice
 was the supreme one.

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Then there are the simple, brief
 mentions like this dozens of them:
 "Sergeant Pilot Michel Marais, bril-
 liant fighter-pilot. He proved his
 worth on his first flight in action.
 Attacked by two Messerschmitts, he
 shot one down and forced the other
 out of action."

Young Lieutenant Tisserand was on
 a photographic reconnaissance when
 his machine was disabled by anti-
 aircraft fire. Then came three Mes-
 serschmitts. Every man in the bom-
 ber was wounded. The machine was
 in flames. It fought its way back
 to the base. Lieutenant Tisserand
 saved the photographs.

Nearly 90 per cent. of these gallant
 actions for which decorations are be-
 ing given took place over German
 territory. The French are taking
 the initiative.

The fliers of the Armée de l'Air
 may not be lucky enough to have
 Spitfires, Hurricanes and Wellington
 bombers. But they have plenty of
 that without which all the Spitfires
 in the world would be useless.

They are brave and gay.
 The D.A.F. on the Western Front
 have worthy comrades to fly with.

Sydney Smith

DAIRY FARM'S RECORD YEAR OF PROGRESS AND PROFIT POSSIBLE INCREASE IN MILK PRICE WARNING

A year of record progress and profits was reported by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, presiding at the 44th annual general meeting of the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., at noon to-day.

"The accounts before you to-day show a record profit on the working account, the figures of \$906,074.49, being some \$88,000 more than last year," said Mr. Dodwell. "This result I am sure you will consider the more satisfactory in that it has been accomplished without increasing the prices of the commodities produced or manufactured by the Company, the chief of which are milk, ice and ice-cream."

Those present were: The Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, Mr. D. L. Newbliss, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. N. Croucher, Mr. P. Morphey, Mr. J. C. Gill, Mr. D. Macfarlane, Mr. W. Macfarlane, Mr. D. K. Paul, Mr. C. T. Chan and Mr. K. C. Mark.

Chairman's Speech

The Chairman moving the adoption of the report and account said: "Gentlemen: The Accounts before you to-day show a record profit on the Working Account, the figure of \$906,074.49 being some \$88,000 more than last year. This result I am sure you will consider all the more satisfactory in that it has been accomplished without increasing the prices of the commodities produced or manufactured by the Company, the chief of which are milk, ice, and ice-cream."

The advancing costs of cattle fodder, due to the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities, followed by further increases in most things caused by the European War, would have fully justified an increase in the price of our products, but it has not been the policy of your Board and always will be, that the prices of such vital commodities as milk and ice should be kept down to the lowest possible level, since they are necessities with all classes of the community.

That we have been able to accomplish this is largely due to the ever-increasing demand for these particular commodities over the past few years, thus showing that we enjoy the fullest measure of public confidence which as you all know, is the most potent of all sales forces. In return for this confidence, we give the public milk which is cheaper than anywhere else in the Far East.

Possible Increase Warning

Unless, however, there is a halt to the rising cost of fodder, bottles, caps and other necessities required for the production of our milk, it may prove impossible to avoid an upward revision of our price during the present year.

When addressing you from the Chair last year my predecessor mentioned that in order to enter for the anticipated larger demand for milk, orders had been placed for additional cattle. Importations throughout the year numbered 79 animals but I regret to state that, owing to the unanticipated demand, we could not entirely meet it during the greater part of the summer. Sales of milk during the year constituted a record in the history of the Company and continue at an exceptionally high level for this time of the year, so much so that supplies of cream have had to be restricted.

More Animals

Having regard to this year Directors considered it advisable to further increase the herd; and of the animals ordered some 90 have arrived. With these further importations the herd will number some 1,000 animals one of the largest herds in the world and roughly 100% more than the number we had nine years ago. During the year the herd enjoyed good health, a fact which is reflected in the favourable balance at credit of Cattle Wastage Account in the Balance Sheet before you. You will observe with this balance amounting as it does to \$77,531.08 and that standing at credit of Cattle Reserve we are only some \$90,000.00 short of the book value of the herd; nevertheless in order to safeguard the position, having regard to the further purchase of cattle this year, your Directors have deemed it advisable to place a further \$50,000.00 to credit of Cattle Reserve.

With the increase in the herd it was necessary during the year to provide more accommodation which expenditure is accounted for under the additions to Building and Property.

Pastorisation

You will probably recall that in April last the Pastorisation of Milk was enforced by Government order and now the observation of bactericidal standards in both raw and pasteurized milk is necessary. We congratulate the Authorities on this step which is for the general good of the dairy industry in the Colony and there is ample evidence in other parts of the world that increased consumption per capita invariably follows the tightening of legislation.

I may say that we have had no difficulty whatsoever in complying with the regulations, a fact which reflects great credit on your Farm and Dairy Staffs.

During the year we were honoured when His Excellency The Governor, Lady Northcote and party visited the dairy and ice making plants.

I am afraid I have had rather a lot to say regarding the dairy side of the business but this being the oldest branch of our activities it is generally understood in the minds of your Directors.

The results in the Imported Dairy and Frozen Foods Department continue to be satisfactory although returns from the shipping side of these

departments have been affected to a considerable degree by the disorganization caused to certain shipping companies as a result of the War.

Two New Confections

During the year we put on the market two frozen confections under the trade names of "Popsicle" and "Fudgicle." These products are of our usual high standard and enjoyed an immediate success, though they in no way affected the sales of our ice cream, the return from which Department showed an increase over the previous year's figures.

A record sale of that popular drink Green Spot—which we manufacture, was made during the year. This business has reached such proportions that your Directors sanctioned the purchase of an up-to-date syrup making and filtering plant which was installed in the Main Depot in the latter part of the year.

Ice sales have been well maintained while our Cold Stores at East Point, Connaught Road Central and Canton Road have been well patronized. I regret to say that owing to the scarcity of fish the fast-freezing plant to which my predecessor referred from the chair last year has not yet been put into use.

At our East Point factory we are now able to offer storage space where the temperature and humidity in the storage is controlled. This type of storage is highly successful for the keeping of such commodities as flour, chocolates, etc. The demand for this class of accommodation is so gratifying that further dehumidifying equipment has been ordered.

Premises Improved

In order to improve service at Kowloon, the Branch premises on Nathan Road are being improved and reconstructed. During the alterations the Dairy and Provisions Departments will be transferred to No. 94 Nathan Road.

As you are probably aware the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., who own our present down town premises in Queen's Road have embarked on a reconstruction scheme embracing these premises and also the original Powell's Building—late White House fronting Des Voeux Road. It has been necessary therefore to look for other premises and I am pleased to say that we have been fortunate enough to secure a lease of that section fronting Des Voeux Road.

In the ground floor it is intended to install a modern and complete Food Emporium—and also in a half-mezzanine section in the same floor to equip a Soda Fountain and "Snacketeria".

Your Directors are confident that this will prove a popular and profitable venture and fill a long felt want.

The mezzanine floor proper has been taken for administrative offices. It is most desirable from the point of view of supervision and control that our executive should be accommodated in our new premises, and, as our present offices are now quite inadequate for our requirements, I am sure that Shareholders will agree that this is a wise step.

Air-Conditioned Building

The entire part of the building which we have agreed to lease will be air-conditioned and I believe this will be greatly appreciated by our patrons who will be able to shop in comfort during the humid summer days and if desired may have their morning coffee or a cooling drink in a pleasant atmosphere in the one building.

That, Ladies & Gentlemen, is a resume of our activities throughout the year.

Balance Sheet Analysed

Turning now to the Balance Sheet you will find the following items of expenditure:—Buildings & Property \$73,307.54, Ice Plant & Machinery \$195,450.03, Launches, Lighters & Vehicles \$11,263.34, Furniture & Fixtures \$4,103.72, total \$284,224.23.

From the Chair last year it was stated that it was not likely that Capital Expenditure would exceed \$220,000.00 but this estimate did not include the Green Spot, Popsicle & Fudgicle equipment or the air-conditioning plant recently installed in the Dairy & Ice Cream Building at East Point.

The Depreciation written off amounting as it does to \$220,023.23 includes a full year's depreciation on the assets which have been installed throughout the year and is considered by your Directors to be adequate.

It has been considered desirable to further increase the Reserve for Bad & Doubtful Debts and the sum of \$10,000.00 has been charged against Profit & Loss Account for this purpose.

On the other side of the Profit & Loss Account credit has been taken for an amount of \$9,030.22. This represents the profit resulting from the sale of those shares of the New Issue not taken up.

More Capital Issued

At a Special Meeting which followed the General Meeting last year, the

issue of 41,905 fully paid up shares was authorized by Special Resolution. The issue was duly made—as will be seen in the Liabilities side of the Balance Sheet under Capital Account. The issued Capital now amounts to \$2,200,012.50, leaving only \$49,087.50 to be raised. Also on the Liabilities side it will be noted that a sum of \$104,762.50 representing the bonus of \$2.50 per share paid to Shareholders in respect to the 41,905 New Shares issued has been deducted from General Reserve.

Before closing my remarks I should like to pay a tribute to the Staff whose task during the year under review has been no easy one. They have been voted a bonus of 7½% on salaries, which they thoroughly deserve and which I am sure you will cordially support.

There are no other items in the Balance Sheet calling for comment from me and I therefore have pleasure in proposing that the Accounts as presented be adopted and that the sum of \$490,845.08 for appropriation be dealt with as follows:

To pay a final Dividend of \$1.00 per share on 251,430 shares	\$251,430.00
To pay a final Dividend of 50 cents per share on 41,905 shares	20,952.50
To pay a bonus of 25 cents per share on 251,430 shares	62,857.50
To pay a bonus of 12½ cents per share on 41,905 shares	5,238.13
Add to General Reserve	15,000.00
Add to Cattle Reserve	50,000.00
To Carry Forward	85,307.52
	\$490,845.65

When this had been seconded I will be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which Shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. Cassidy's Speech

Seconding the motion, Mr. P. S. Cassidy said: It gives me great pleasure to second the adoption of a report and accounts of record proportions. This Colony is well served by its public utility companies but none of them has been of such direct benefit to the health of the community as has this Company. We are indeed indebted to the pioneers who laid the foundations of this concern but we must not leave out of account their successors who have developed the Company by a progressive policy based on sound finance and attention to public requirements.

As your Chairman has pointed out a wide range of commodities and services, in addition to dairy farming pure and simple, are now covered and I can well believe that it is only by very careful planning that those of us who are shareholders and customers, as I have been for many years past, are able to score in two places. It is certainly an achievement to show record profits without profiteering.

I have no doubt that housewives who do their own shopping will be delighted to hear about the new premises to which the Chairman has referred. Shopping in an air-conditioned atmosphere with a Soda Fountain and Snacketeria adjacent will make a pleasure of what is at present rather a stern duty. In any case there is plenty of room for additional refreshment facilities in the centre of the town and I share the Directors' confidence that the venture will prove popular. I quite agree that the present offices are totally inadequate and I am glad that there will be ample accommodation for the executive in the new building.

I should like to testify to the close co-operation which exists between the Directors and the Management. To my mind as long as this factor can be counted upon we need have no fears about the future of the Company. On your behalf I offer our congratulations to the Board, the Management and the Staff for a handsome result of the past year's working and for the efforts being made to keep pace with the ever-growing demand of the public.

The retiring directors, Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. H. V. Wilkinson were re-elected and the retiring auditors Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were reappointed.

PRISON FOR BAG SNATCHING

Mrs. D. Campbell, 24 MacDonnell Road, appeared as complainant before Mr. Edwards at Central Magistrate's Court this morning when Chan Pang, 20, was charged with the larceny of her handbag at Battery Path yesterday.

Chan snatched the bag but fell when attempting to get away by jumping over a railing.

He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months' hard labour and ordered to be sent away from Hongkong. Defendant was also told that if he wished to return to Hongkong within five years, special permission would have to be obtained.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2.25/32
Demand do.	1/2.25/32
T.T. Shanghai	3.50
T.T. Singapore	52½
T.T. Japan	81½
T.T. India	82
T.T. U.S.A.	21½
T.T. Manila	43
T.T. Batavia	40
T.T. Bangkok	150½
T.T. Saigon	108
T.T. France	11.37
T.T. Switzerland	98
T.T. Australia	1/6½
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3.3/32
4 m/s D/E do.	1/3.7/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	22½
4 m/s France	11.37
30 d/s India	83½
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.53½

Danish Ship Torpedoed

U-Boat Action Causes Death Roll Of 13

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—It has been revealed that the Danish ship Britta (1,146 tons) was torpedoed by a U-boat in the Atlantic on Monday.

The ship was in ballast en route to a British port from Denmark when an explosion shook her from bow to stern, after which she sank almost immediately.

Thirteen lives were lost and five survivors have been landed at a port in northwest Scotland to-day.

Dutch Crew Rescued

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—A British warship found eight members of the crew of a Dutch trawler on a raft and took them to an English coast port. Three members of the crew are missing.

The cause of the loss of the trawler is not yet known.

Brilliant Rescue

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The latest neutral victim of Nazi warfare is the Danish ship, Britta, which was torpedoed in the Atlantic on Monday.

Five survivors have reached Britain. Their lives were saved by a brilliant rescue by a nearby ship whose name is not revealed.

A life-boat was sent out but it capsized in the heavy seas. The crew, righted the boat, clambered back and made their way to the sinking Britta.

They took off six men, but one was swept abroad and was lost. The life-boat made a second trip but the Britta had gone. Nothing was left save two empty rafts.

Attacked Four Times

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—When the Norwegian ship, Faneffell, arrived at a Norwegian port on Monday, her crew described how, during the past month, their ship was attacked four times by German bombers and once by a U-boat.

They escaped each time. The crew also described an attack last week by several Nazi bombs on another Norwegian ship, Svinta, which was sunk.

U.S. PLANES FOR THE ALLIES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—One reason for the reported change in the United States' plane selling policy is believed to be due to reports reaching Washington regarding the production of German planes.

In some official quarters the German production is said to be 3,000 monthly with a prediction of a rapid increase to 6,000 monthly.

While some experts consider these figures ludicrously high, the reports appear to be stimulating the United States to ensure that America shall play a part in the building up of the Allies' air strength.

Dominions Pilots In Silt Raid

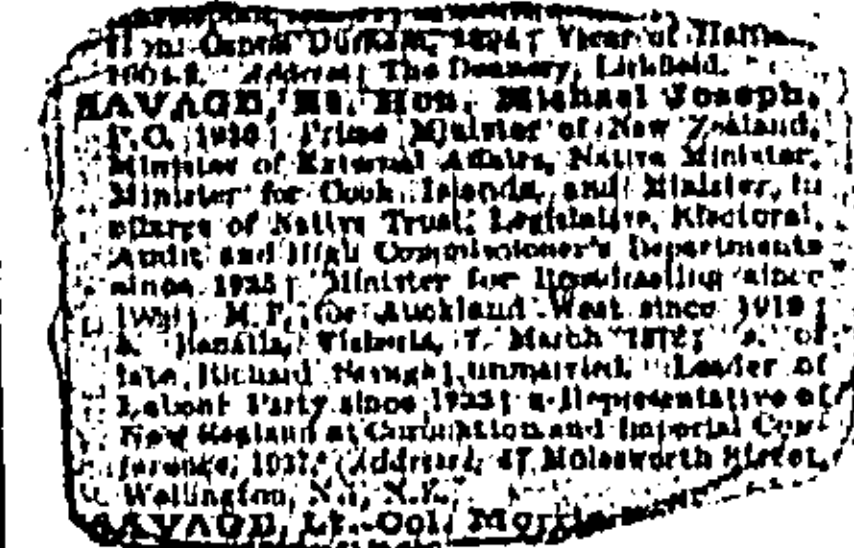
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Mar. 26 (UP).—The Air Ministry reveals that 20 pilots from the Dominions participated in the great raid on the Nazi base at Silt last week.

Fourteen leading and second pilots came from the Canadian Air Force, while seven each were members of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Gallantry Award

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—Squadron Leader Turner, one of two officers awarded the D.F.C. for gallantry during the Silt operations, was born at Roneau in Dominica.

A "gazette" notice states that Turner displayed great determination and ability in attacking enemy hangars in spite of heavy small arm and heavy artillery fire which surrounded his aircraft, and he calmly and accurately completed his task.



—From who's who

N. ZEALAND PREMIER SUCCUMBS

WELLINGTON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The Rt. Hon. Mr. M. J. Savage, New Zealand's first Socialist Prime Minister, is dead.

Death occurred in Wellington to-night after a long illness which became acute a week ago. The Rt. Hon. Mr. Savage, who was born in Bendigo (Victoria) in 1872—celebrated his 68th birthday on March 7—was a bachelor.

His Administration was responsible for introducing far-reaching social legislation when it came into office four years ago.

It is thought that the N. Z. Labour Party will elect the Hon. Mr. P. Fraser to succeed Mr. Savage as Premier. Since Mr. Savage's illness, Mr. Fraser has been Acting Prime Minister.

London's Profound Regret

LONDON, Mar. 26 (British Wireless).—News of the death of Mr. M. J. Savage, the New Zealand Prime Minister, has been received in London with the greatest regret. Mr. Savage was 68 and had been ill for some time.

At the outbreak of war, he was recovering from a severe abdominal operation, but he did not spare himself in the weeks that followed in order to bring the whole-hearted support of New Zealand to the Empire cause.

Mr. Savage attended the coronation of King George in 1937.

Newspapers here review his work as head of the Labour Government responsible for a number of important social measures, and pay tribute to his high standard of public duty and his personal character.

Historic Broadcast

The broadcast he made to the New Zealand people on the outbreak of war is recalled. In this Mr. Savage declared: "Not a moment too soon have Britain and France taken up arms against so faithless and unscrupulous an adversary. We are fighting a doctrine that springs from contempt for human nature, and in confidence for the future we range ourselves without fear beside Britain. Where she goes we go. Where she stands we stand."

STERLING FLOPS IN NEW YORK

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (UP).—Showing the effect of the British Government's decree restricting the use of a free market for sterling in international trade, the pound plunged to a new 8-year low level on the New York Foreign Exchange market to-day.

United States steel Corporation to-day declared a dollar dividend on the common stock payable on April 26, the first dividend to be paid in three years.

Heavy Selling

New York, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—Sterling tumbled to-day on an entirely sellers market in which selling orders during the holidays accumulated to a degree far beyond the capacity for the New York market to absorb at the prevailing rates.

Moreover hanging over the market was the spectre of a further regulation affecting sterling and other currencies which, it is felt, will curtail the demand for free sterling.

Meanwhile, fresh news of the tightening of sterling control came from Sweden to-day, and there were also many rumours of pending measures by other countries.

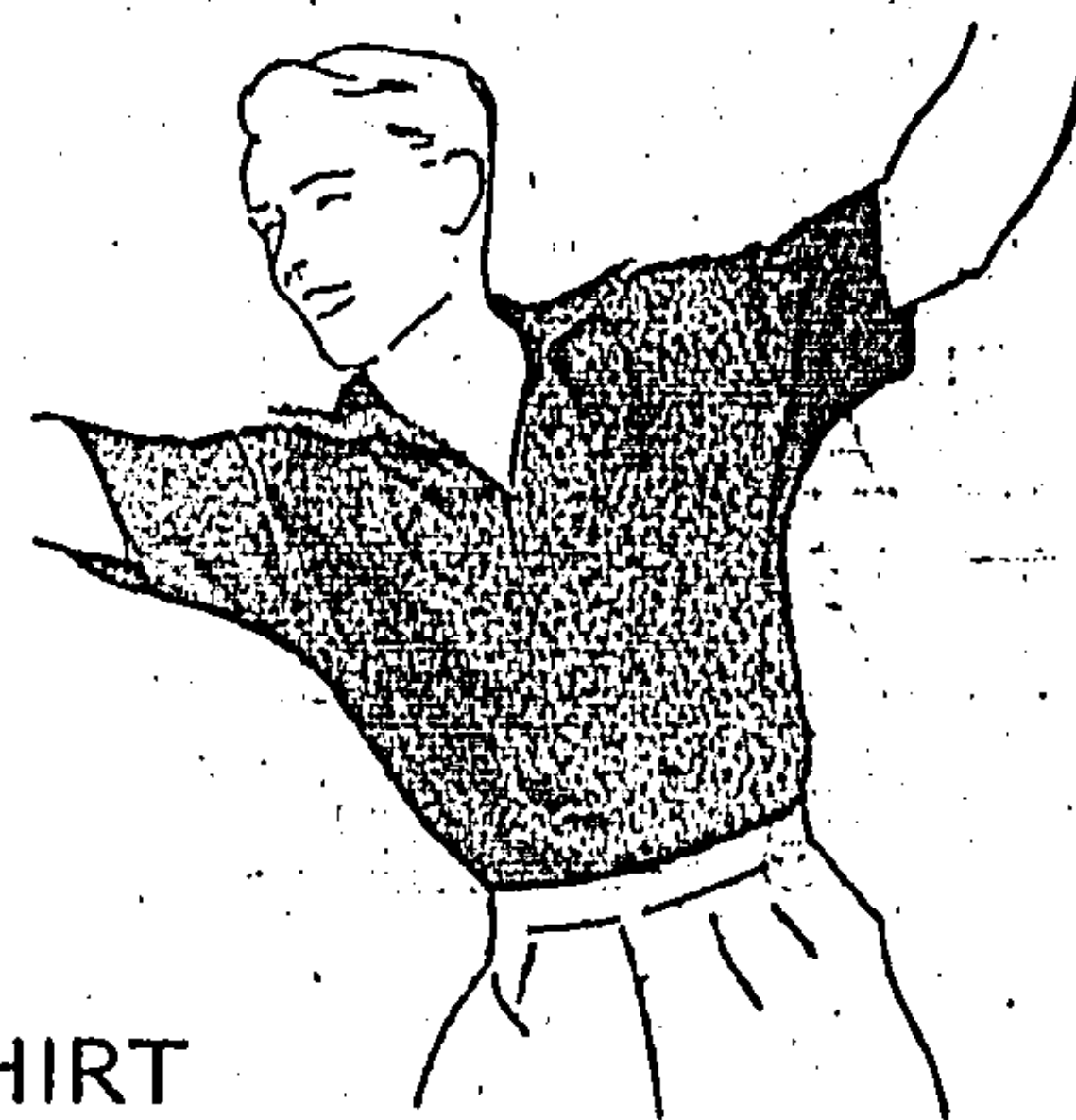
The franc and other sterling currencies abruptly declined while Canadian dollars were easy, though it was pointed out that their movement was more or less independent.

CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

There's nothing so wearing for a mother as a child who won't eat well. Usually such a child is the "nervy", highly-strung type. He picks at his food, looks pale and loses weight.

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Around The Courses

SARAZEN - THE OUTSTANDING PLAYER OF PAST DECADE

His Brilliant Career Began in 1922

S. V. Gittins Wins Country Club Captain's Cup

(By "Birdie")

REVIEWING THE PAST DECADE of golf, an American sports authority has given to Gene Sarazen the position of honour for the 'Thirties as Bobby Jones had for the 'Twenties—the outstanding golfer of the decade, though accurately speaking the latter player's finest effort, that of winning the British and American Open and Amateur Championships, was in 1930.

Sarazen can claim no record as brilliant as that, but his successes over the years since he first began storming championship heights is one that allows every justification for the (unofficial) honour that has been bestowed upon him. His best years, perhaps, were 1931-32-33. He established a record in the British Open in 1932 with a winning score of 283, though this figure has twice been equalled since; in 1934 by Henry Cotton, and in 1935 by Percy Alliss, both of whom were winners.

Sarazen, his first name is Eugene, was born at Harrison, New York in 1902, and began his golf career as a caddy at the age of eight. His first professional appointment was in 1921, and his first essay at the American Open was in 1920, when he qualified third, but finished 30th in the competition proper. He came back strongly the next year—at the age of 20—and won the U.S. Open. In the same year he won the U.S. Professional tournament.

His successes are best seen in tabulation:

AMERICAN OPEN

1922 and 1932—winner, with scores of 288 and 286 respectively. He was runner-up in 1934 (there being one stroke difference).

U.S. PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1922-23-33—winner. Runner-up in 1930.

BRITISH OPEN

1932—winner with record score of 283. He was second in 1928, third in 1931 (tied with Percy Alliss with



Genial Gene Sarazen, who has been rated in America as the outstanding golfer of the Thirties. This picture was taken in 1932 when he won the British Open Trophy (in his hands)—his smile is that of a record breaker (his score was 283).

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

1936—winner with 282.

U.S.A. v. G.T. BRITAIN (PROFESSIONAL)

He represented the United States Professionals against Great Britain in 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935 and 1937.

OTHER SUCCESSES

Metropolitan Championship winner in 1925.
North of England Professional Champion in 1925.
Miami Florida Open winner four times in succession.
Western Open champion.
Miami Beach Florida Open champion three times.
Southern Open champion twice.
West Coast Florida Open champion.
Metropolitan P.G.A. Tournament winner.

He has been the only man to have ever won the three largest money prize tournaments in America. These were the Miami, Baltimore Professional, and the Agua Caliente Mexico Tournament, and the La Gorce Tournament. This great man passed through the Century a year or so ago, and it was regrettable then as now that he was unable to play. There was, I believe, some trouble over the financial arrangements. When he was here I met him on board the ship, and a more pleasant fellow to talk to could hardly be met. He has a genial but determined face, as can be seen from the picture elsewhere on this page. He is comparatively short in stature, but has a pair of the most powerful hands and arms I have ever seen.

HAVING conferred honour on Sarazen, listen to the honour that has been done Bing Crosby, the crooning film star. The Professional Golfers Association of America have recently awarded him a life membership—a distinction that is seldom an amateur's. The award was in recognition of the singer-sportsman's interest in sport and the professionals who earn a living in it.

THE Junior Champion of the Country Club, Sheungshui-S. V. Gittins—has now won the Captain's Cup competition, having beaten M. F. de Pinna 3 and 1 in the final on Sunday last. Gittins was two down at the end of the first nine (the match was only 18 holes). Following his win in the Junior competition, Gittins' handicap dropped to 14. It looks as though it is going yet lower.

The Easter Cup competition at the same Club was a dismal failure. It is a competition of 72 holes medal play—playable on any days during the Easter holidays. This year, due to the bad weather, there were only five entries—and two of them were women. On the last day of the holidays, when it was obvious that there were not going to be any more entries, it was also obvious that the competition could not be called such, and the few who had entered did not bother their heads any further about cards.

Cottage Club "Treasure Hunt"

The Mounted Treasure Hunt organized by the Cottage Club, Fanling, which was postponed from last Saturday due to inclement weather, will be held from the Clubhouse at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 30.

Badminton

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES DISAPPOINT

W. Gillies Enters Final Of Junior Singles

(By "Tinker")

MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championship at King's College last night were disappointing, and not up to the standard that was expected. Two matches in the second round of the Doubles Competition were completed, and in the only singles game of the evening, W. Gillies beat P. Wynter-Blyth 15-11, 15-4 to enter the final of the Junior Championship.

The Doubles scores were:

P. H. Wong and C. Au beat C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin 15-8, 15-5.
K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew beat F. Koh and C. Y. Yung 18-14, 15-7.

To out-smash the other fellow seemed to be the order of the matches. In the first, Yong and Chow v. Koh and Yung, the game was not won by as wide a margin as anticipated. Yong was definitely "off", but Chew, fortunately for the University pair, was his usual self, and did more than his share in winning points. Koh was the better of the losing pair. Yung, though on occasions he brought off some nice drop shots, was inclined to poach with disastrous results.

SECOND DOUBLES
Wong and Au, the favourites for the doubles title, could hardly be

Hongkong And Macao Ponies Classified

The following is the latest classification of Ponies as issued by the Macao Jockey Club on March 26:

"A" Class Subscription China Ponies: Country Flower, Chouret Bleu, Fairy Auk, Fairy Queen, Gold, Claude, Hockmeyer, Hockmeyer, Meadow Eve, Merry Fairy, Merry Maker, Morning Tip, Hockmeyer Day, Shinghai, Victory, Lady Wood, Nymph.

"B" Class China Ponies: Cloudy Star, Double Up, Eagle, Iron Knight, National Triumph, High Tower.

"C" Class: China Ponies—Dupont Bay, O-Lan, to A Class.
Gay Fitter, Conough to B Class.
Blue Field, Blue Girl, Emergency Unit, Musketeer, Oak Ray, Offshoot, Rose Charming, Rose Evelyn, Rose Flana, Rose Perfect, to C Class.
Valorous to D Class.

Next Week's Programme

The following semi-final matches have been arranged in the Colony badminton championships:

WEDNESDAY

At the Kowloon Cricket Club on Wednesday, April 3, the men's doubles semi-finals will be played. The first match, starting at 8 p.m., will be between K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew and M. A. Oliveira and M. A. Silva.

This will be followed by the match between H. Earley and N. Smith and C. Au and P. H. Wong.

THURSDAY

On Thursday, April 4, at the Club de Recreio, the men's senior singles semi-finals will be played. The first match at 8 p.m. will be between K. L. Yong and P. H. Wong, followed by the match between C. Au and H. Earley. If the programme is completed according to schedule, all of the semi-final ties in the championship events will have been played by April 10, and arrangements will accordingly be made to stage the finals before the end of the month.

LINCOLNSHIRE AND NATIONAL CALLS-OVER

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following are the latest calls-over for the Lincolnshire and the Grand National:

LINCOLNSHIRE

7/1 Titan (o. 8/1 taken).
9/1 Quarter Maitre (t. and o.)
9/1 Wonerah (o.)
100/0 Time Step (o.)
100/7 Aldine (o.)
100/7 Ticegari (o.)
100/0 Golden Sovereign (o.)
18/1 Booms-a-daisy (o.)

GRAND NATIONAL

9/1 The Professor (o. 10/1 taken).
100/9 Kiltar (t. and o.)
100/0 Macmoffat (t. and o.)
25/1 Inversible (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Underbid (o. 33/1 t.)
28/1 Venturesome Knight (o. 33/1 t.)

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The following were the results of Home football matches played to-day:

MIDLAND

Birmingham 5 Luton 4
Northampton 2 Coventry 0
West Brom. 5 Leicester 1

EAST-MIDLAND

Notts F. 4 Sheffield U. 1
Rotherham 3 Doncaster 1

NORTH-EASTERN

Bradford C. 3 Newcastle 1
Darlington 2 Halifax 1

OTHER MATCHES

Huddersfield 2 Burnley 1
Barnsley 3 Grimsby 0

Rugby Games

The following were the results of Rugby Union matches:

Bridgend 12 Swansea 14
Newport 11 Weston-super-Mare 0

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE

Bramley 6 Hull-Kingstone 32
Huddersfield 10 Featherstone 0
Leeds 4 Castleford 10

Cricket

R. ENGINEERS BEATEN BY 170 RUNS

Combd. Small Units Win Large Units Final

SURPASSING the Royal Engineers in batting and bowling, Combined Small Units won the Cup of the Large Units (Army) Cricket Competition at Sookmoo yesterday when they scored 253 runs to the Engineers' 83 in the final game.

Bowling for the winners, Young captured seven wickets for seven runs in six overs, which included two maidens. Blount took two for 15 runs. Fielding was also of a high standard and some brilliant catches were made.

HIGH SCORERS

Highest scorer for Combined Small Units was Webb, who was run out at 85. Logan contributed 48 and Emberson 37.

Shipp and Wilkinson scored 21 and 20 respectively for the Royal Engineers. Bowling 10 overs each, Megson obtained four wickets for 34 runs and Denyer took three for 48. At the conclusion of the game, Brigadier T. McLeod presented the Cup and congratulated the winners. The detailed scores were:

COMBINED SMALL UNITS			
Gardiner, lb.w. Megson	11		
Logan, c Shipp b Parsons	85		
Murphy b Denyer	48		
Webb, run out	253		
Lawrence, lb.w. Denyer	23		
Parsons, c Shipp b Megson	2		
Sawyer, b Megson	2		
Emerson, c Bailey b Megson	37		
Blount, b Denyer	15		
Hoccock, c Ratcliffe b Megson	0		
Young, not out	25		
Extras	4		
Total	253		

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Ratcliffe	12	2	42
Shaw	10	1	10
Megson	10	2	34
Parsons	9	1	50
Denyer	10	4	48
Shipp	6	0	33
ROYAL ENGINEERS			
Wilkinson, lb.w. Young	20		
Freeman, b Harvey	6		
Shipp, c Webb b Young	21		
Logan, c Murphy b Blount	1		
Grose, c Murphy b Young	1		
Shaw, b Young	1		
Denyer, c Webb b Young	1		
Bailey, lb.w. Blount	1		
Polman, not out	1		
Megson, b Young	0		

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First Round Matches For Adamson Cup

Semi-Final Results Of Fanling Mixed Foursomes

The following were the results in the first round of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Adamson Cup Competition held at Happy Valley:

S. T. Butlin (12) received a bye into second round; G. E. Williamson (12) received a walk-over; Y. Eagle; P. Huckle (12) beat T. J. Price (9) four and three; G. W. Neave (12) beat A. J. MacFadyen (12) at the 10th; Hugh Smith (9) received a walk-over from D. Humphreys (7); G. Davies (10) received a walk-over from J. Forphy (9); D. S. Edwards (9) beat E. Tuck (14) six and five; W. W. C. Sheehan (7) received a bye into second round.

Mixed Foursomes

The semi-finals of the Mixed Foursomes competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for L. A. R. and Mrs. Duncan over Lt. Cdr. and Mrs. Linton by five and four, and for E. J. R. and Mrs. Mitchell over Major and Mrs. Williams by one up.

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Harvey	4	0	25
Murphy	4	0	10
Blount	0	0	15
Young	6	2	7

Colony Tennis

H. D. RUMJAHN AND O. UMETANI IN QUARTER-FINALS

O. UMETANI, former ranking Japanese hardcourts tennis player, advanced into the quarter-finals of the Colony Open Singles tennis championship yesterday when he beat J. S. Theobald 6-4, 6-1. H. D. Rumjahn was the other singles player to enter the same round yesterday, when he overcame Marsland Ma 6-1, 6-1. In the remaining singles game, Leung Ping-chiu beat J. B. Gon-salves 6-1, 6-1.

Umetani and H. D. Rumjahn meet to-day, and one of the best games of the tournament is anticipated. Theobald was hand-hitting, and though mastered by a superior opponent, gave an entertaining exhibition to the spectators. He succeeded in taking the second, fifth and sixth games of the first set, but in the second set, Umetani was considerably more confident, and took five games in a row before winning the match in the seventh.

Rumjahn had little difficulty in disposing of Marsland Ma, but in doing so showed up as strong and as accurate as of old.

To-day's Programme

OPEN SINGLES
H. D. Rumjahn v. O. Umetani
S. A. Rumjahn v. J. W. Leonard
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
T. C. Monaghan v. B. C. Fay

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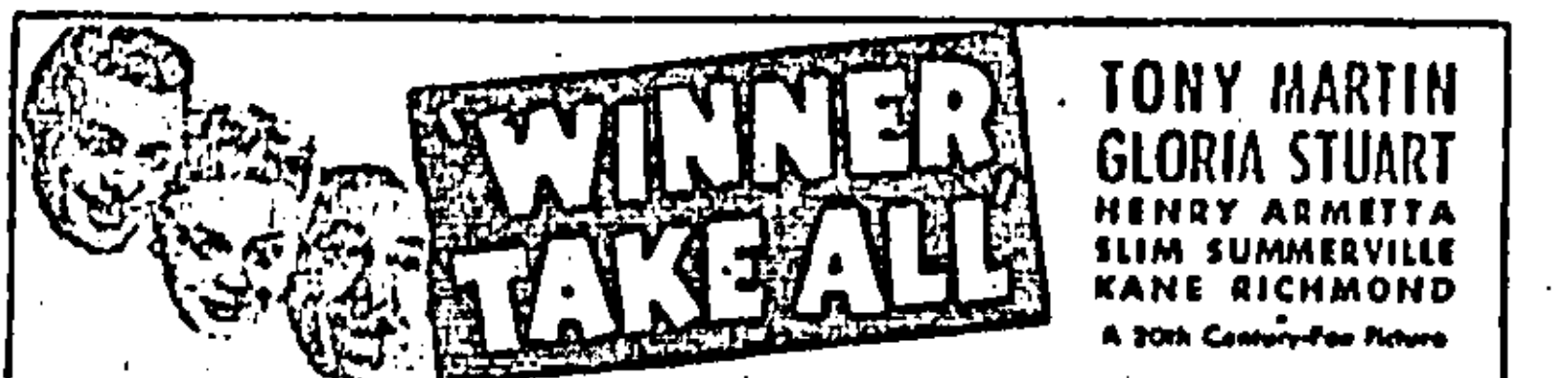
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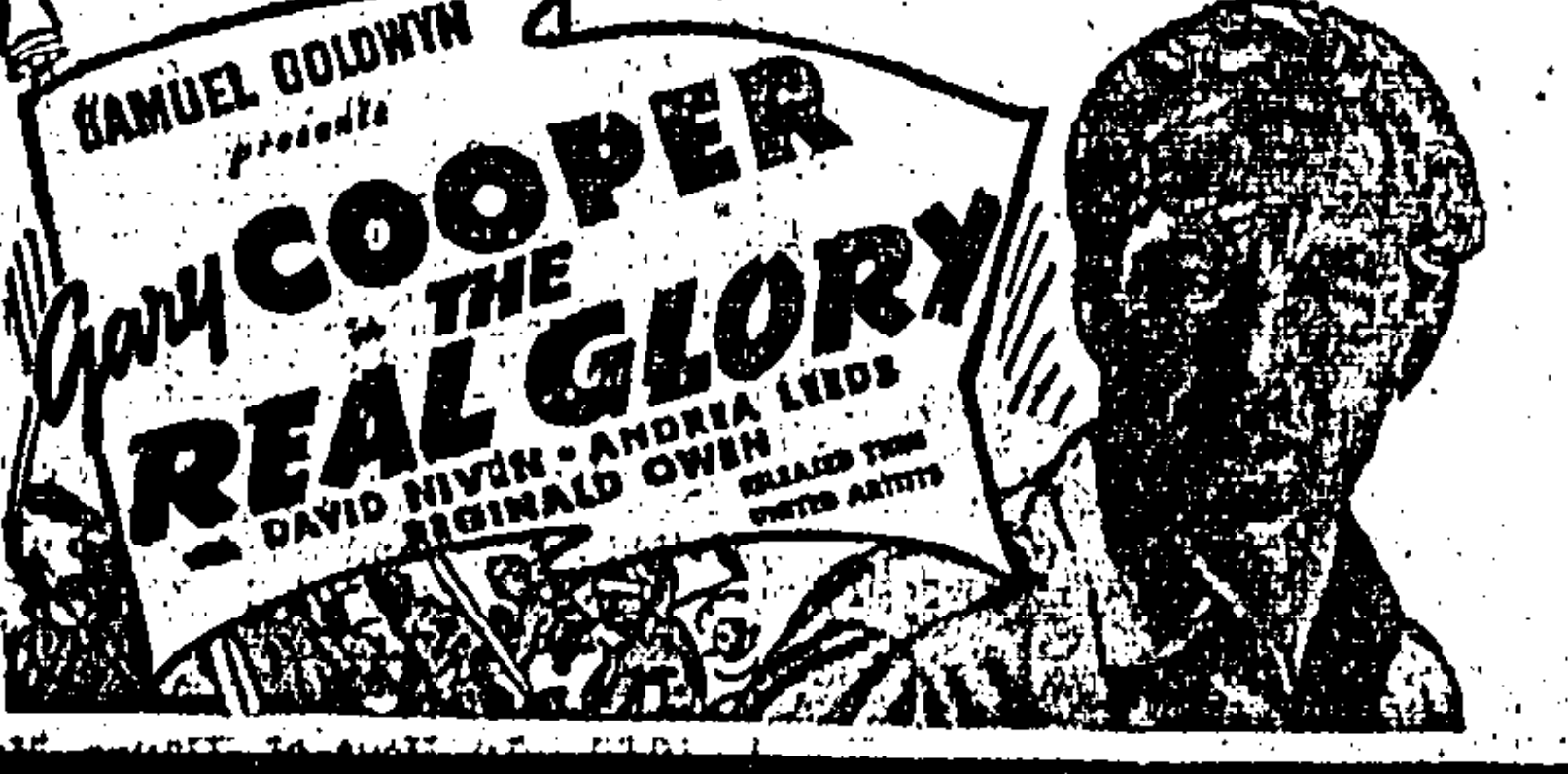
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WIFE JAILED FOR CONTEMPT (Her Second Committal)

A WIFE who wrote defamatory letters to her husband, his solicitor, relatives and friends, was sent to jail for a second time by Mr. Justice Simonds in the Chancery Division.



Mrs. Brandon

Confidence In Air Force Britain's Plans Based On Long War

LONDON, Mar. 27. (Reuter).—"We have every reason to be confident of the future," Sir Kingsley Wood stated yesterday in a Press interview.

Britain's efforts and equipment will be continued and extended until she has established mastery in the air. "Plans are based on expectations of a long war. Whatever the future may hold, Britain's bombers, you may be certain, are ready if Germany compels reprisals, to hit hard, hit often and keep on hitting."

Sir Kingsley repeated the conclusion that he would rather have 100 Wellingtons, Spitfires and Hurricanes than a much larger number of German counterparts.

Germany, he admitted, was still expanding her air force, but she had been meeting with difficulties because several of her much-boasted types were proving a disappointment.

She is Mrs. Emily Charlotte McMahon Brandon, of Woodford Bridge, Essex.

Mrs. Brandon was first sent to jail on the judge's order last May on a motion brought by her husband, Mr. Albert John Brandon, of Tudor Lodge, Marlow, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

He alleged she had disobeyed an order of the court not to molest him. Before being released Mrs. Brandon had expressed regret for failing to observe the injunction.

It was stated that within three months of her release, she resumed the writing of defamatory letters and postcards.

Gross Contempt
Her husband had described her as being of a highly scandalous nature, making untrue accusations. He said she had made threats against his safety and welfare.

Mrs. Brandon, asked by the judge to explain her conduct, made a long statement repeating allegations against her husband.

Making the order for her committal Mr. Justice Simonds said she had been guilty of the grossest contempt of court.

It was in her own interest that she should be committed to prison, where she would be subject to medical supervision.

SHELL FELL ON NORWAY

British Destroyer In Alleged Incident

OSLO, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—An allegation that a British destroyer in attempting to stop a German vessel fired a warning shot which fell on Norwegian soil was made in an official statement issued to-day.

According to the statement, the incident occurred near Obvestad on March 22. When the German vessel did not stop the destroyer, which it is alleged was within territorial waters, abstained from further force.

The statement continues: "The shell fell without exploding on the shore not far from the road and near the railway station."

The Norwegian Legation in London has been instructed to protest energetically against this violation of the neutrality regulations.

COTTON CONTROL TIGHTENED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In an attempt to tighten the control of cotton produced in the province of Chekiang, the provincial authorities have increased the selling (market) price by \$7.50 per picul, while cotton merchants are granted five per cent. commission, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

Purchasing is being undertaken by the Oil, Tea, Cotton and Silk Control Bureau of the Provincial Government. By thus raising the selling price it is hoped effectively to prevent the cotton produced in Chekiang from being supplied to the Japanese, the report states.

Warm Welcome For Relief Officials

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A warm welcome was extended to Mr. Tun Kai-ke, Chairman of the China Relief Association in Singapore, and party which arrived at Chungking by plane from Rangoon yesterday, says the "Sin Wan Pao."

Over 500 persons, representing more than 200 public organisations in Chungking and Government officials, waited at the aerodrome to greet the party.

COPPER STRIKE SETTLED

NDOLA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 26 (Reuter).—The strike by copper workers has been settled following the arrival here of the Governor, Sir John Maybin.

It is learned that all the strikers are likely to resume work to-morrow.

MAURETANIA AT CANAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". CRISTOBAL, Mar. 26 (UP).—The British liner Mauretania left Gatan Locks at noon to-day and is expected to reach Bilbao about 6 p.m. She will probably sail from there this evening.

SWEDEN WATCHES RUSSIANS



SWEDEN also has her crack ski troops, who are concentrated on the Northern frontiers, ever watchful of Red moves in Finland.—Domet.

LATE NEWS

Big Fines For Two Chinese

Two Chinese appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistrate's Court this afternoon charged with the possession of secret codes or cyphers.

The men, Yiu Tung-san and Shum Siu-ki, pleaded guilty to a breach of the Defence Regulations. They were charged with the possession of secret codes or cyphers at No. 24, Morrison Hill Road on March 12. The second defendant, Shum, was also charged with possession of secret codes or cyphers on March 13 at No. 153, Wongninchong Road, 1st floor.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, was present for the prosecution.

Yiu was fined \$2,000 or six months' imprisonment, whilst Shum was fined \$4,000 or six months' imprisonment.



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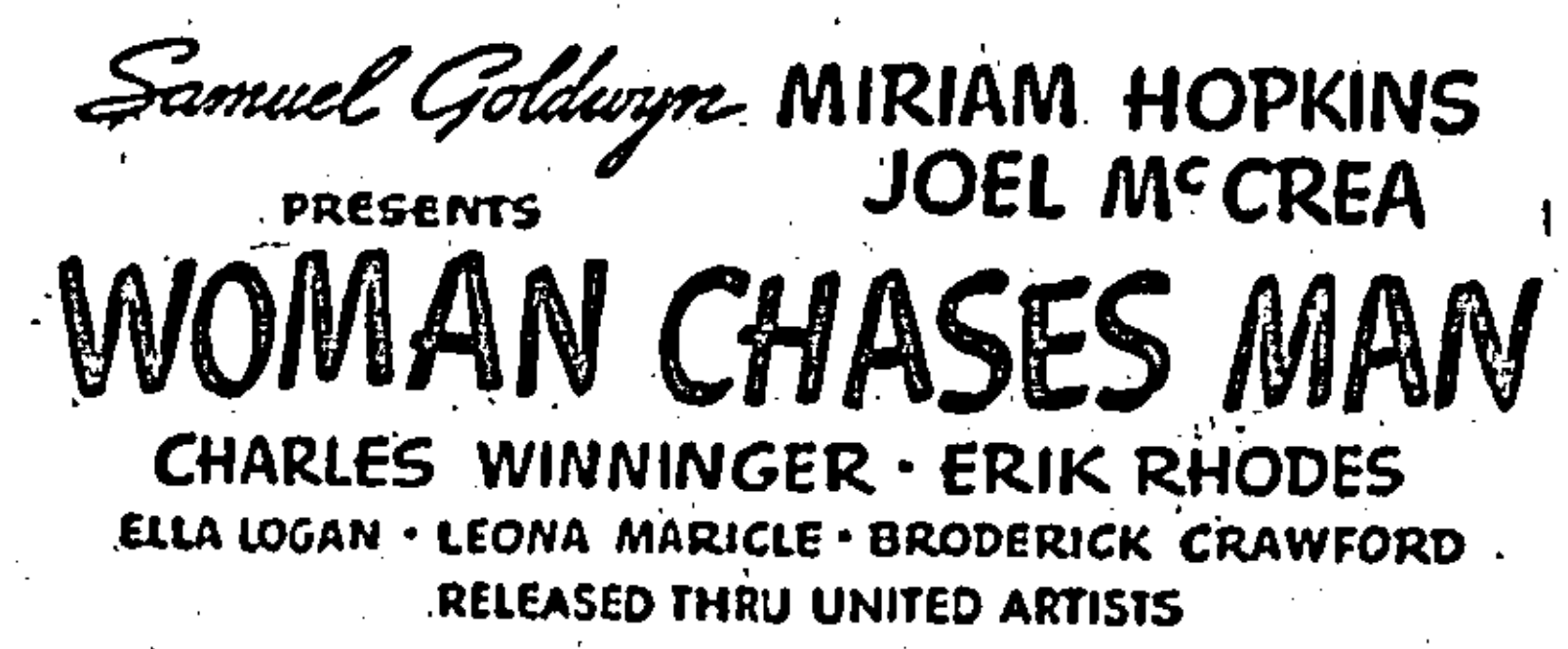
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